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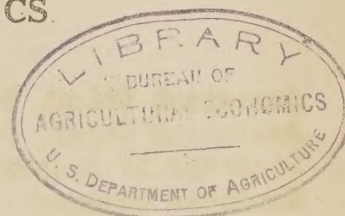
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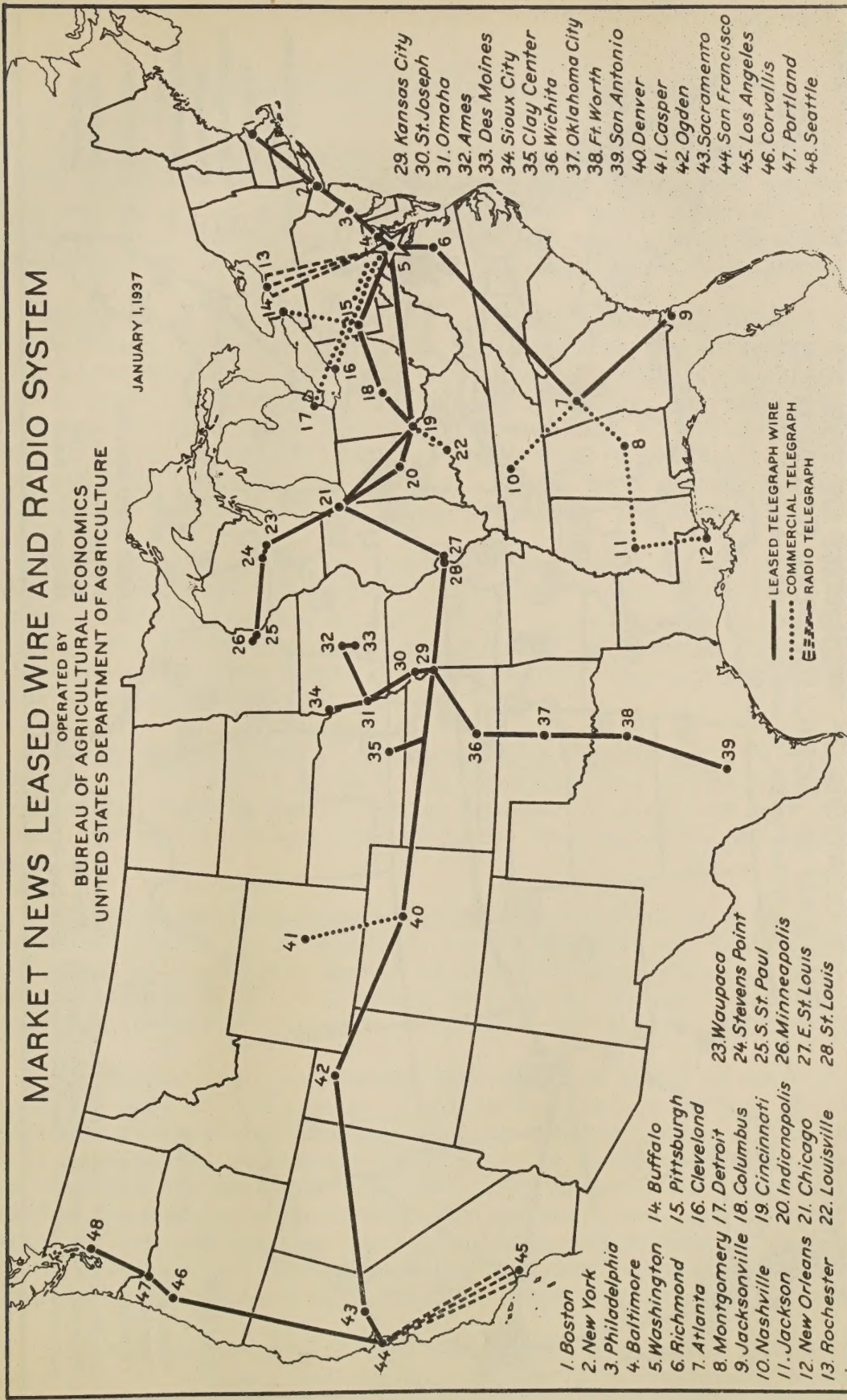
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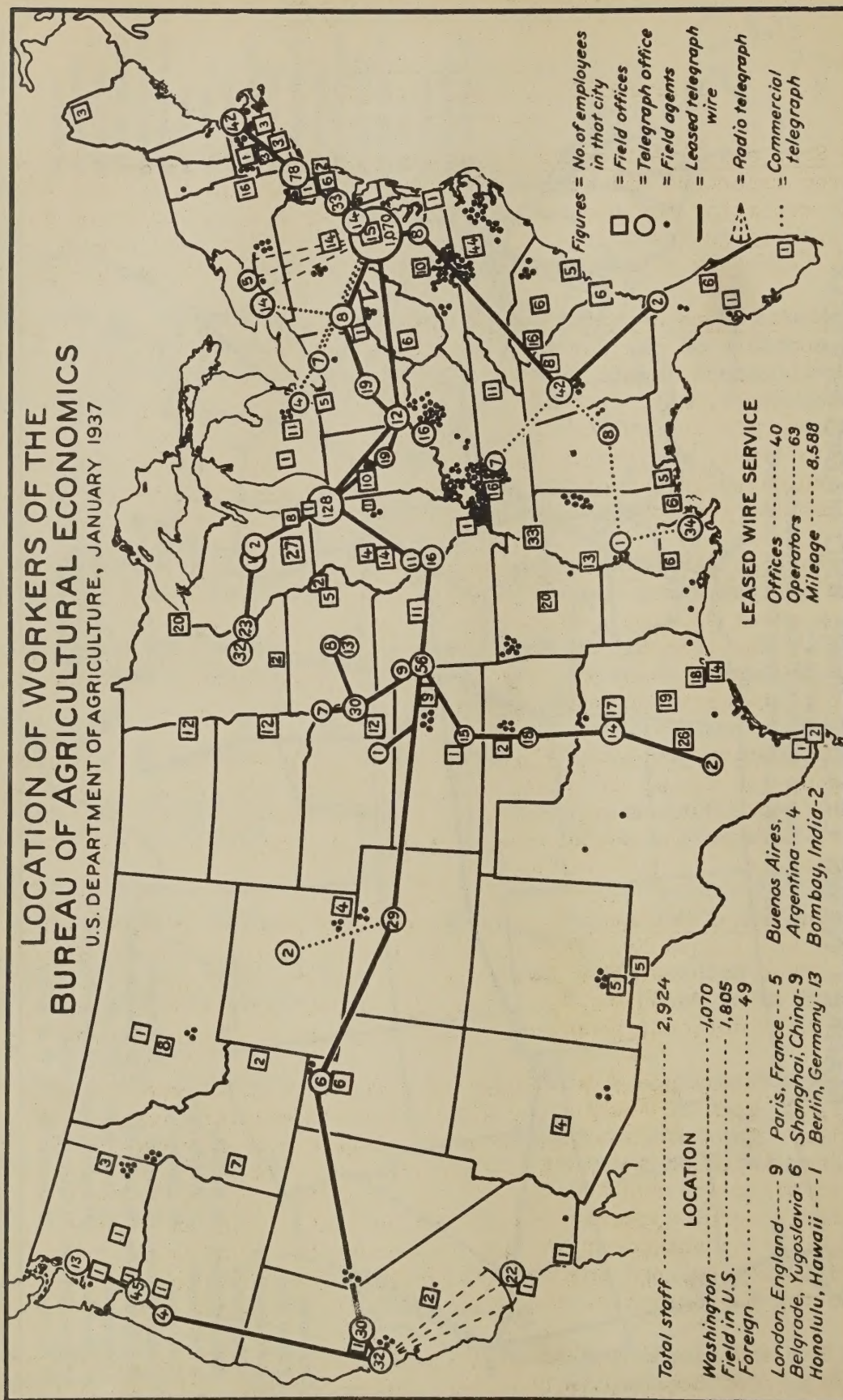
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PREPARATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF REPORTS

Crop and Livestock Estimates are prepared from information gathered from crop reporters and others including a Washington staff and State statisticians reporting for each of the States. The major reports of this service are assembled in Washington, finally approved by the Crop Reporting Board and the Secretary of Agriculture, and distributed from Washington.

Market News Reports are gathered in the principal markets and producing sections of the country. The reports cover the following commodities: cotton, livestock, meats and wool, fruits and vegetables, dairy and poultry products, grain, hay, feed and seed, tobacco, honey, peanuts, hops, etc. The information upon which these reports are based is gathered simultaneously in many offices, is transmitted from one office to another by leased wire, and is released in all of the markets. Market news reports are mimeographed and mailed from the various branch offices of the Bureau.

Foreign Agricultural Information is gathered through the Bureau's foreign offices, from the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome, and from other foreign representatives of the Government by radio, cable, and mail. The information is released weekly in "Foreign Crops and Markets", through the market news service, in the monthly "Foreign Agriculture", and in special reports and press releases.

Situation, Outlook, Income, and Price Reports are prepared in Washington and issued in printed, mimeographed, and press-release form, as completed. Outlook and Situation reports are also sent over the leased wire and through the market news offices. Mailing lists are maintained in Washington.

Technical Research Reports, Reports of Special Studies, etc., are prepared and issued from Washington in mimeographed and printed publications. When printed, they appear in the Department's series of publications including Technical Bulletins, Circulars, Farmers' Bulletins, Miscellaneous Publications, Handbooks, etc. They are distributed from Washington.

The Bureau staff in January 1937 included 2,924 workers of whom about 1,070 were in Washington, 1,805 in field stations, and 49 in foreign countries. The informational material is gathered and prepared by the divisions listed on the inside front cover of this publication, each of which controls its own branch offices. The Division of Economic Information maintains general supervision over the content, form, and method of releases for publication and distribution; supervises the editing of periodicals, printed bulletins, and special publications for extension workers; and handles the photographic, exhibits, and motion-picture work of the Bureau.

For additional agricultural statistics or economic information write the Division of Economic Information, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Washington, D. C.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK ESTIMATES

The Crop and Livestock estimating service consists of the Federal Crop Reporting Board and an operating staff in Washington and in 40 branch offices. Each branch office is under the direction of an Agricultural Statistician who works under the general supervision of the Washington office, gathering and distributing information for their respective States. The names and addresses of State Statisticians are listed below.

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CROP ESTIMATES

The Crop Estimates prepared by the Crop Reporting Board are released, as required by law, at exact hours on dates specified by the Secretary of Agriculture. The dates shown below are those on which the scheduled reports will be issued during 1937. Dates for release of other reports, not specified by law, are given following the list of scheduled reports.

These reports are given general distribution to the public by the press and radio, and by wire to the State offices. Mimeographed copies are distributed immediately after release to persons who request them. The reports are printed in the monthly statistical periodical "Crops and Markets" which is sent free to officials, and which is available to others for \$1 a year. All remittances should be sent to the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office.

Cotton Report Release Dates in 1937

Released at 11:00 A. M., E. T.

- May 21: Revision of acreage, yield per acre, and production of cotton, lint and seed, produced in the previous season; also reduction from full yield per acre due to boll weevil and other causes.
- July 8: Report on the acreage of cotton in cultivation on July 1.
- August 9: Report as of August 1 on condition, indicated yield per acre, and indicated total production.
- September 8: Report as of September 1 on condition, indicated yield per acre, and indicated total production; also an estimate of the acreage of cotton abandoned since July 1.
- October 8: Report as of October 1 on condition, indicated yield per acre, and indicated total production.
- November 8: Report as of November 1 on yield per acre and probable total production.
- December 8: Report as of December 1 on yield per acre and estimated total production; also estimated acreage of cotton for harvest, abandoned since July 1, and acreage in cultivation July 1.

General Crops Report Release Dates in 1937

Released at 3:00 P. M., E. T.

- January 11: Report on stocks of corn, wheat, and oats on farms January 1; condition of citrus fruits; and production of milk per cow.
- March 19: Report on acreage of crops for harvest in 1937 indicated by reported intentions.

- April 9: Report on condition as of April 1 of winter wheat, rye, and pasture; forecast production of winter wheat and citrus fruits; for certain States reports on condition of peaches and potatoes; also stocks of corn, wheat, and oats on farms on April 1; and production of milk per cow.
- May 10: Report as of May 1 covering acreage remaining for harvest, condition, and forecast production of winter wheat and rye; forecast production of citrus fruits; condition of tame hay, pasture and miscellaneous fruits and nuts; stocks of hay on farms; for certain States, reports on condition of oats, potatoes, peaches, pears, and grapes; revised acreage, and production of sugar crops; and production of milk per cow.
- June 10: Report as of June 1 on condition and forecast production of winter wheat, rye, peaches, pears, and cherries, condition of spring wheat, oats, barley, hay, pasture, apples, citrus fruits, and miscellaneous fruits and nuts; stocks of barley and rye on farms June 1; for certain States reports on condition of potatoes and grapes; and production of milk per cow.
- July 9: Report as of July 1 on stocks of corn, wheat, and oats on farms; acreage, condition, and forecast production of corn, winter wheat, spring wheat, oats, barley, rye, flaxseed, rice, hay, potatoes, sweetpotatoes, tobacco, sugar beets, dry edible beans, and hops; acreage of soybeans, cowpeas and velvet beans, sugarcane for sirup, sorghum for sirup, and dry field peas; acreage and condition of peanuts; condition and indicated production of apples, peaches, pears, grapes, cherries, and miscellaneous fruits and nuts; condition of pasture and citrus fruits; and production of milk per cow.
- August 10: Estimates of yield per acre and indicated production of winter wheat and rye; acreage of buckwheat, grain sorghums, and broomcorn; report as of August 1 on condition and forecast production of corn, spring wheat, oats, barley, buckwheat, flaxseed, rice, grain sorghum, hay, dry edible beans, apples, peaches, pears, grapes, potatoes, sweetpotatoes, tobacco, sugar beets, hops and miscellaneous fruits and nuts; condition of pasture, peanuts, soybeans, cowpeas, and citrus fruits; production of cherries; stocks of rice on farms August 1; and production of milk per cow.
- September 10: Report as of September 1 on condition and forecast production of corn, spring wheat, oats, barley, buckwheat, flaxseed, rice, grain sorghums, tame hay, dry edible beans, peanuts, hops, apples, peaches, pears, grapes, potatoes, sweetpotatoes, tobacco, sugar beets, pecans, and miscellaneous fruits and nuts; acreage of peanuts for nuts; yield per acre and indicated production of wild hay; condition of pasture, soybeans, cowpeas and citrus fruits; acreage and production of cranberries; and production of milk per cow.

- October 11: Report as of October 1 on stocks of corn, wheat, and oats on farms; estimates of yield per acre and indicated production of spring wheat, oats, barley, tame hay, dry edible beans, sugar beets, hops, and cranberries; condition and forecast production of corn, buckwheat, flaxseed, rice, grain sorghums, peanuts, potatoes, sweetpotatoes, tobacco, apples, pears, grapes, pecans, citrus fruits and miscellaneous fruits and nuts; production of peaches; condition of pasture, soybeans, and cowpeas; and production of milk per cow.
- November 10: Report as of November 1 on yield per acre and production of corn, buckwheat, flaxseed, rice, grain sorghums, dry edible beans, peanuts, potatoes, sweetpotatoes, tobacco, sugar beets, sugarcane sirup, sorgo sirup; cowpeas, and soybeans; production of apples, pears, grapes, cranberries, pecans, and miscellaneous fruits and nuts; condition and production of citrus fruits; condition of pasture; and production of milk per cow.
- December 17: Report on revised acreage, yield per acre, and production of all crops.
- December 21: Report as of December 1 on acreage and condition of fall-sown winter wheat and rye for harvest the following year.

Miscellaneous Crop Estimates

Wheat Stocks in Mills and Elevators.--This report is issued on the following dates: January 22, April 23, July 23, and October 22.

Bean Production by Varieties.--This report shows production of dry edible beans, by varieties, by States; mimeographed for separate distribution, usually in January.

Tobacco by Class and Type (Acreage, Production, and Value).--This is a semi-annual report and is published in April and December in "Crops and Markets"; also in mimeographed form. Forecasts of tobacco production by types are published monthly from July to November with the monthly crop reports of the Crop Reporting Board and published currently in "Crops and Markets."

Fruit and Vegetable Estimates

Fruit and Nut Crop Reports.--State statistics on fruit and nut-crop production are included in the regular monthly crop reports issued about the 10th of each month. Rarely are estimates made of the quantity of production utilized for canning, drying, or other manufacturing. Except for strawberries there are no established series of estimates on small-fruit production.

Potato and Sweetpotato Reports.--The detailed statistical reports on total production of Irish (or white) potatoes and sweetpotatoes, by States, are issued in the regular monthly crop reports. Several special reports on potatoes are also issued during the year, the following being the more important.

(1) Report on Merchantable Potato Stocks on hand January 1 in 37 late and intermediate States, including an analysis of the utilization of the crop and the reported acreage growers intend to plant the coming year is available about January 28.

(2) Reports on Commercial Early Potato Production in 19 States, chiefly in the South but extending as far north as New Jersey, Maryland, Kentucky, Missouri, and Nebraska; including reports regarding intended commercial acreage in successive groups of States, issued from October to March, and production reports from April to August are followed by summary reports for the season.

Other Vegetable and Truck Crop Reports.-State statistics are compiled and issued covering the commercial production of various important vegetable and truck crops. The reports are divided into two distinct series as follows:

(1) Commercial Truck Crops for Shipment, commonly called Truck Crop Reports, comprising estimates on strawberries, cantaloups, watermelons, and the principal vegetables that are grown for shipment by rail, boat or auto truck to markets more or less distant from the point of production. Local or market-garden production is not included in these estimates except insofar as local sales occur as a minor phase of the shipping enterprise. In most of the reports the estimates are shown for successive groups of competitive States arranged according to usual marketing season.

(2) Truck Crops for Commercial Manufacture, commonly called Canning Crop Reports, comprising estimates of the principal vegetable crops utilized by canning and packing establishments, including pimientos, cucumbers for pickles and cabbage for kraut.

The truck and canning crop reports are prepared in the form of commodity sheets, each containing current statistics and crop comments for one or more groups of States. At occasional intervals, a collection of timely crop-news items is issued without statistical matter. The dates for release of reports are set according to the usual season of the commodity in each group of States.

Commercial Truck Crop Estimates

The following program shows the approximate dates for the release of reports containing State details on planting intentions, preliminary estimates of acreage planted, and the first forecasts of production, arranged by seasonal groupings of States and areas.

In the last column, the months in which condition reports are usually available are indicated by numbers from 1 to 12, that is "1-4" indicating January to April, "11-5" November to May, etc. Condition inquiries are made as of the first of the month and reports are released on or about the 10th.

In addition to the reports listed below, occasional releases are made for garlic, horseradish, and peppermint oil; stocks of cabbage, onions, and potatoes on hand as of January 1 are released about January 28; a report of pickle stocks (cucumbers) is released on December 10. Truck Crop News

reports are issued semi-monthly. Special reports on damage from frost, freeze, and flood are released immediately following the receipt of telegraphic confirmation of the actual damage from our truck-crop estimators in the field.

Dates of Commercial Truck Crop Estimates

Crop and group		Intended acreage	Planted acreage	Crop forecast	Condition (1st of mo.)
ARTICHOKES:	California.....	-	Sept. 13	-	10-5
ASPARAGUS:	Early.....	-	Oct. 13	Mar. 12	2-6
	Late.....	-	Oct. 13	May 12	4-6
BEANS, LIMA:	Early.....	-	May 24	May 24	4-6
	Intermediate...(1)	-	May 24	June 14	5-7
	Intermediate...(2)	-	June 14	July 13	6-8
	Late.....	-	Oct. 13	Oct. 13	9-10
BEANS, SNAP:	Fall*.....	-	Oct. 13	Nov. 12	10-12
	Early.....(1)	-	Jan. 13	Jan. 13	1-3
	Early.....(2)	-	Apr. 13	Apr. 13	3-5
	Second Early.....	-	Apr. 13	May 12	4-6
	Intermediate...(1)	-	May 24	May 24	5-6
	Intermediate...(2)	-	June 14	June 14	5-7
	Late.....(1)	-	Aug. 12	Aug. 12	7-9
	Late.....(2)	-	Oct. 13	Oct. 13	9-11
BEETS:	Early.....	-	Dec. 10	Jan. 13	10-5
	Second Early.....	-	Apr. 13	Apr. 13	3-5
	Intermediate.....	-	June 14	June 14	5-6
	Late.....	-	Sept. 13	Sept. 13	7-10
CABBAGE:	Fall*.....	Sept. 13	Oct. 13	Dec. 10	10-1
(Including	Early.....	Oct. 13	Dec. 10	Jan. 13	11-4
quantities used	Second Early.....	Dec. 10	Feb. 10	Apr. 13	2-6
for Kraut manu-	Intermediate.....	Mar. 17	May 12	June 14	5-7
facture)	Late (Domestic)...	Mar. 17	July 13	Aug. 12	6-10
	Late (Danish).....	Mar. 17	Aug. 12	Sept. 13	7-10
	" "	-	-	Oct. 13	-
	" "	-	-	Nov. 12	-
CANTALOUPS:	Early.....	-	Apr. 13	May 12	4-7
	Second Early.....	-	May 12	June 24	5-8
	Intermediate.....	-	June 24	July 23	6-8
	Late.....	-	June 24	Aug. 12	7-9
CARROTS:	Fall*.....	-	Oct. 13	Nov. 12	9-2
	Early.....	-	Dec. 10	Jan. 13	10-4
	Second Early.....	-	Apr. 13	Apr. 13	3-6
	Intermediate.....	-	June 14	June 14	5-7
	Late.....	-	Sept. 13	Sept. 13	6-10
CAULIFLOWER:	Fall & Winter*....	-	Oct. 13	Nov. 12	9-1
	Early.....	-	Mar. 12	Mar. 12	1-5
	Late.....(1)	-	July 13	Aug. 12	7-10
	Late.....(2)	-	Sept. 13	Oct. 13	8-11

Crop and group		Intended acreage	Planted acreage	Crop forecast	Condition (1st of mo.)
CELERY:	Fall & Winter*....	-	Sept.13	Nov. 12	8-3
	Early.....	-	Dec. 10	Jan. 13	11-5
	Second Early.....	-	Feb. 10	Mar. 23	3-8
	Intermediate.....	-	July 13	July 13	5-8
	Late.....(1)	-	Aug. 12	Sept.13	6-10
	Late.....(2)	-	Sept.13	Oct. 13	7-11
CUCUMBERS:	Fall*.....	-	Nov. 12	Nov. 12	9-12
	Early.....(1)	-	Apr. 13	Apr. 23	3-6
	Early.....(2)	-	Apr. 23	May 24	4-6
	Second Early.....	-	May 24	June 14	5-7
	Intermediate.....	-	June 14	July 13	6-8
	Late.....(1)	-	July 13	Aug. 12	7-10
	Late.....(2)	-	Oct. 13	Oct. 13	9-11
EGGPLANT:	Fall*.....	-	Nov. 12	Nov. 12	9-12
	Early.....	-	Apr. 23	Apr. 23	1-7
	Second Early.....	-	July 13	July 13	6-8
	Late.....	-	Aug. 12	Aug. 12	7-10
KALE:	Virginia.....	-	Oct. 13	Nov. 12	10-3
LETTUCE:	Early.....	-	Nov. 12	Dec. 10	10-3
	Second Early.....	-	Mar. 23	Mar. 23	3-5
	Intermediate.....	-	May 24	May 24	4-6
	Late.....(1)	-	June 14	July 13	5-10
	Late.....(2)	-	Sept.13	Oct. 13	8-11
ONIONS:	Early.....	Nov. 12	Jan. 13	Apr. 13	11-5
	Intermediate.....	Mar. 17	Apr. 23	June 24	5-8
	Late.....	Mar. 17	June 24	Aug. 12	6-10
	"	-	-	Sept.13	-
	"	-	-	Oct. 13	-
PEAS, GREEN:	Early.....	-	Feb. 10	Feb. 10	12-4
	Second Early.....	-	Apr. 13	Apr. 13	3-6
	Intermediate... (1)	-	May 12	May 12	4-6
	Intermediate... (2)	-	May 24	May 24	4-6
	Late..... (1)	-	June 14	June 14	5-8
	Late..... (2)	-	Sept.13	Sept.13	8-11
	Late..... (3)	-	Nov. 12	Nov. 12	10-12
PEPPERS, GREEN:	Fall*.....	-	Oct. 13	Nov. 12	10-12
	Early (Winter)....	-	Feb. 10	Feb. 10	1-4
	Early (Spring)....	-	May 12	May 12	5-6
	Second Early.....	-	June 24	June 24	5-7
	Intermediate... (1)	-	June 24	July 13	6-8
	Intermediate... (2)	-	June 24	Aug. 12	7-10
	Late.....	-	Oct. 13	Oct. 13	9-11
POTATOES, EARLY	Fall*.....	-	Oct. 25	Nov. 12	10-12
IRISH:**	Early.....(1)	-	Feb. 10	Apr. 13	12-5
	Early.....(2)	-	Mar. 17	May 12	4-7
	Second Early.....	Mar. 17	May 12	May 24	4-7
	Intermediate... (1)	Mar. 17	May 24	June 14	5-8
	Intermediate... (2)	Mar. 17	May 24	July 13	5-8

<u>Crop and group</u>		<u>Intended acreage</u>	<u>Planted acreage</u>	<u>Crop forecast</u>	<u>Condition (1st of mo.)</u>
SPINACH:	Fall*.....	-	Oct. 13	Nov. 12	9-12
	Early.....	-	Dec. 10	Jan. 13	11-4
	Second Early.....	-	Apr. 13	Apr. 13	2-5
	Intermediate.....	-	July 13	July 13	5-9
	Late.....	-	Oct. 13	Oct. 13	8-11
STRAWBERRIES:	Early.....(1)	Oct. 13	Dec. 10	Jan. 13	11-5
	Early.....(2)	Oct. 13	Feb. 10	Mar. 12	1-5
	Second Early.....	Oct. 13	Feb. 10	Apr. 13	3-5
	Intermediate.....	Oct. 13	Feb. 10	May 12	4-6
	Late.....	Oct. 13	Feb. 10	May 24	4-6
TOMATOES:	Fall*.....	-	Nov. 12	Nov. 12	10-12
	Early.....(1)	-	Jan. 13	Feb. 10	1-5
	Early.....(2)	-	Mar. 12	Apr. 23	3-6
	Second Early.....	-	Apr. 23	May 24	4-7
	Intermediate.....	-	May 24	June 24	5-7
	Late.....(1)	-	June 24	Aug. 12	6-10
	Late.....(2)	-	Aug. 12	Sept. 13	7-11
WATERMELONS:	Early.....	Mar. 17	Apr. 13	May 12	3-7
	Second Early.....	Mar. 17	May 12	June 24	5-8
	Late.....	May 12	June 24	Aug. 12	6-9

* The crop in the "Fall" group furnishes the earliest supply in a new crop season, starting to market in the fall and early winter months preceding the main season.

** Intentions-to-plant estimates of early Irish potatoes in all groups of States are released about October 13 and January 28.

Dates of Truck Crops for Commercial Manufacture (Or Canning)

<u>Crop</u>	<u>Intended acreage</u>	<u>Planted acreage</u>	<u>Crop forecast</u>	<u>Bi-monthly con- dition reports</u>
ASPARAGUS.....	-	Nov. 12	Mar. 12	2-6
BEANS, GREEN LIMA.....	May 12	July 13	Sept. 13, 23 Oct. 13	6-10
BEANS, SNAP.....	Apr. 13	June 24	July 13, 23 Aug. 12, 25 Sept. 13	5-9
BEETS.....	Apr. 23	July 13	Sept. 23 Oct. 13	6-10
CABBAGE FOR KRAUT.....	Apr. 23	July 13	Sept. 13, 23 Oct. 13	6-10
CORN, SWEET.....	Apr. 13	July 13	Aug. 12, 25 Sept. 13, 23	5-9
CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES.....	Apr. 23	July 13	Sept. 13, 23	7-9
PEAS, GREEN.....	Mar. 12	May 24	June 24 July 13, 23	5-7
PIMIENTOS.....	-	June 14	Sept. 13, 23 Oct. 13	7-10
SPINACH.....	Jan. 12	Mar. 12	Mar. 12	2-11
TOMATOES.....	Apr. 23	July 13	Aug. 12, 25 Sept. 13, 23 Oct. 13	6-10

LIVESTOCK ESTIMATES (INCLUDING DAIRY, POULTRY)

Livestock Report Release Dates - 1937

Released at 12:00 noon E. T. on dates listed

- January: Estimate of cattle on feed January 1. January 14...Issued at Washington.
Estimate of sheep and lambs on feed January 1.
January 15.....Issued at Washington.
- February: Annual estimate of number and value of different
species of livestock on farms January 1. February 15. Issued at Washington.
- March: Estimate of wool shorn and pulled previous year.
March 2.....Issued at Washington.
Estimate of mohair production. March 10.....Issued at Washington.
Report on size and condition of early lamb crop.
March 12.....Issued at Washington.
Report on condition of Flint Hills and Osage
Pastures. About April 10.....Issued at Denver.
- April: Estimate of cattle on feed April 1. April 13.....Issued at Washington.
Report on development of early lamb crop. April 14. Issued at Washington.
- May: Report on development of early lamb crop. May 14...Issued at Washington.
- June: Report on shipments of cattle into Flint Hills
and Osage pastures. About June 10.....Issued at Denver.
Estimate of the 1937 spring pig crop. June 29.....Issued at Washington.
- July: Estimate of the 1937 lamb crop. July 27.....Issued at Washington.
- August: Preliminary estimate of wool shorn. August 3.....Issued at Washington.
Estimate of cattle on feed August 1 and report on
demand for feeding cattle. August 12.....Issued at Washington.
Report on fall marketings of western cattle.
About August 20.....Issued at Denver.
Report on fall marketings of western sheep.
About August 20.....Issued at Denver.
- October: Report on the cattle feeding situation. October 12..Issued at Washington.
Report on the lamb feeding situation. October 13...Issued at Washington.
- November: Report on the cattle feeding situation. November 11. Issued at Washington.
Report on the lamb feeding situation. November 12..Issued at Washington.
- December: Report on the cattle feeding situation. December 10. Issued at Washington.
Report on the lamb feeding situation. December 13...Issued at Washington.
Estimate of the 1937 fall and total pig crop.
December 23, 1937.....Issued at Washington.

For most of the above reports issued from Washington, State reports are issued in the most important livestock States, and a regional report is issued from the Denver regional livestock office.

Monthly reports on range and livestock condition in the Western States are issued from the Denver regional office and State reports are issued by most of the Western States.

Dairy Estimates

Milk Production Trends.--This is a report on the general milk-production situation. Formerly issued monthly, it is now issued at about quarterly intervals. It includes statements on the general dairy situation, records of production per cow, percentage of milk cows being milked, grain being fed, pasture conditions, changes in numbers of milk cows, plans of farmers with regard to increasing or decreasing their herds, changes in freshening dates, feed costs, feed price ratios, and notes on other statistics obtained by the Department of Agriculture and of interest to dairymen. Usually consists of 2 to 4 pages of text and 2 pages of charts. Prepared for correspondents of the Department in return for voluntary cooperation in furnishing reports. Available to a limited number of others on request.

Milk Production on the First of the Month.--This is a condensed summary principally for newspaper use. It contains one or two paragraphs and one table showing milk production per cow by States, as reported by crop correspondents. Prepared for release with the General Crop Report, and also issued as a separate mimeograph release, usually about the 12th of the month.

Statistical Supplement to "Milk Production Trends."--This occasional report gives in detail, by States, the statistics summarized in "Milk Production Trends" and shows some of the statistical methods used in drawing the conclusions reached. It varies from 10 to 50 pages, mostly of tables. Prepared for agricultural statisticians, research and extension workers in dairying, and executives of manufacturing corporations and cooperatives, and dealers in dairy products. Available to a limited number of others on request.

Poultry and Egg Production Estimates

Poultry and Egg Production.--This report, which shows the average number of hens and pullets of laying age and the number of eggs laid per flock and per 100 birds on the 1st day of the month, is issued as a mimeographed statement about the middle of each month. It also shows the number of young chickens on hand each month from May to July and in October. The number of pullets of laying age and the number not yet of laying age are shown in October, and the number of pullets being saved for layers is reported in December.

Estimates of the Numbers and Value of Poultry on Farms and Production and Value of Eggs.--This report shows by States the numbers and value of chickens on farms January 1; number produced, value consumed on farms and sold from farms for preceding year; number of hens and pullets in farm flocks on January 1; estimated total production and value of chicken eggs for preceding year; and number and value consumed on farms and sold from farms. Issued annually about March 15.

Turkeys Raised.--Number of turkeys on hand September 1 are published annually about September 15.

Miscellaneous.--Monthly indexes of relative farm prices of chickens and eggs, and of feed for poultry, with the relations between the index of feed prices and those of poultry products are available in mimeographed form. Source of chickens raised; mortality of mature and young birds; feed consumed; proportions of different breeds, and related data, are published at intervals.

FARM PRICE AND FARM WAGE REPORTS

Prices Received by Farmers for Farm Products.--This report is issued from Washington in mimeographed form on or about the 29th of each month. The report shows currently for the United States, average prices received by farmers for 41 farm products as of the 15th of each month; relative prices received by farmers for crops, livestock and livestock products, poultry and poultry products; index numbers of prices received by farmers by groups of commodities and for all groups; estimated prices of 35 farm products currently, by States; hog-corn ratios for the United States, the North Central States, and Iowa; indexes of prices paid by farmers for articles purchased, farm wage rate index numbers; and an index of the industrial wage level.

One or more pages of each issue are devoted to a discussion of current changes in prices received by farmers. Price data from this report and excerpts from the discussion of prices received by farmers are published the following month in "Crops and Markets."

A report is published annually about the last week in December showing the average price received by farmers during the current crop marketing season for 67 items, with comparable data for the previous year. Another report is published annually about the last week in February showing calendar-year average prices received by farmers for 14 livestock and livestock product items for the two preceding years.

Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities Bought.--This report is issued with the above mentioned report of prices received by farmers. It is presented in the form of index numbers based upon information obtained from special correspondents at quarterly intervals. Commodities are grouped as follows: Family maintenance, with sub-groups; food, clothing, operating expenses, furniture, building material for house; commodities used in production, with sub-groups, farm machinery, fertilizer, building materials other than for house, equipment and supplies, and seeds. Prices paid by farmers for feed are collected monthly, and index numbers of feed prices are published monthly. Quarterly index numbers of prices paid by farmers for all groups combined are published along with estimates for the intervening months.

Farm Labor and Wage Rates.--This quarterly report is released in mimeographed form from Washington on or about the 14th of every January, April, July, and October, and is printed in "Crops and Markets." It contains average wage rates for farm labor per month and per day, with and without board; data on the supply of and demand for farm labor, by States, geographical divisions, and for the United States; farm employment, supply and demand statistics by geographical divisions with comparisons; an index of farm wage rates for the United States; and a brief discussion of current wage-rate changes.

Reports are issued for intervening months showing the employment on farms of crop reporters. Average piece work wage rates for picking cotton are published annually by States with the November 1 Farm Employment release.

THE MARKET NEWS SERVICE

The Market News Service of the Bureau has its headquarters in Washington but is operated through a series of branch offices. Each branch office reports to its respective commodity division in Washington and gathers and distributes information only on the products covered by that division. These offices, as a rule, are not consolidated, in the principal cities, as each is located near the trading centers of the products it reports. Therefore no single office in the larger cities has on hand crop or market reports on all subjects. Separate mailing lists are maintained by different offices; consequently requests for publications should be sent to the proper office in a given city.

ADDRESSES OF BRANCH OFFICES, BY COMMODITIES

Cotton

City and State

Atlanta, Ga.	Room 522 New Post Office Bldg., Spring, Hunter & Forsyth Sts.
Austin, Texas	Bldg. "K", Little Campus, 19th & Red River Sts., P.O. Box 1140
Dallas, Texas	Room 502-B New Federal Bldg., P.O. Box 1366
El Paso, Texas	Room 509 U. S. Court House
Memphis, Tenn.	Room 326 Custom House & Post Office Bldg., P.O. Box 1183

Dairy and Poultry Products

Boston, Mass.	Room 723 Appraisers' Stores Bldg., 408 Atlantic Ave.
Chicago, Ill.	Room 1103 New Post Office Bldg.
Los Angeles, Calif.	Room 298 Wholesale Terminal Bldg., 784 So. Central Ave.
New York, N. Y.	Room 418-a Federal Bldg., 641 Washington St.
Philadelphia, Pa.	Room 604-C Custom House Bldg.
Portland, Oreg.	Room 337 U. S. Court House
San Francisco, Calif.	Room 3, Ferry Bldg.
Seattle, Wash.	Room 508 Federal Office Bldg.

Fruits and Vegetables

Atlanta, Ga.	Room 525 New Post Office Bldg., Spring, Hunter & Forsyth Sts.
Baltimore, Md. (covers Washington Market)	Rooms 304-306 Custom House, Water, Gay & Lombard Sts.
Boston, Mass.	Rooms 722 & 725 Appraisers' Stores Bldg., 408 Atlantic Ave.
Chicago, Ill.	Room 305 Fruit Distributors Bldg., 1421 S. Aberdeen St.
Cincinnati, Ohio	Rooms 21-24 Fruit Exchange Bldg., 27 W. Front St.
Cleveland, Ohio	Room 10 Northern Ohio Food Terminal Bldg., 4000 E. Orange Ave.
Denver, Colo.	Room 555 U. S. Custom House, 19th & Stout Sts.
Detroit, Mich.	Room 48 Detroit Union Produce Term., 7201 W. Fort St.
Fort Worth, Texas	Rooms 511-13 U. S. Court House Bldg., 10th & Lamar Sts.

Fruits and Vegetables - Cont'd

City and State

Kansas City, Mo.	Room 212 Railway Exchange Bldg., 7th & Walnut Sts.
Los Angeles, Calif.	Room 300 Wholesale Terminal Bldg., 784 So. Central Ave.
Minneapolis (Including St. Paul), Minn.	Room 302 Gorham Bldg.
New Orleans, La.	Room 323 Custom House Bldg., 423 Canal Street
New York, N. Y.	Room 408 Federal Bldg., 641 Washington St.
Oklahoma City, Okla.	Room 245 Capitol Bldg.
Philadelphia, Pa.	Room 604-F U.S. Custom House Bldg.
Pittsburgh, Pa.	Room 438-J U.S. Post Office Bldg., 7th Ave. & Grant St.
Portland, Oreg.	Room 341 U.S. Court House, S. W. Broadway & Main St.
St. Louis, Mo.	Rooms 942-44 Court House & Custom House, 1114 Market St.
San Francisco, Calif.	Room 1 Ferry Bldg., foot of Market St.
Seattle, Wash.	Room 520 Federal Office Bldg., 1st & Madison St.

Grain

Atlanta, Ga.	Room 521 New Post Office Bldg., Spring, Hunter & Forsyth Sts.
Chicago, Ill.	Room 1101 New Post Office Bldg.
Kansas City, Mo.	1513 Genesee Street
Minneapolis, Minn.	Room 121, Federal Office Bldg.
Portland, Oreg.	Room 339 U. S. Court House
San Francisco, Calif.	Room 2 Ferry Bldg.

Hay

Atlanta, Ga.	Room 521 New Post Office Bldg., Spring, Hunter & Forsyth Sts.
Kansas City, Mo.	1513 Genesee Street
Los Angeles, Calif.	Room 304 Wholesale Terminal Bldg., 784 S. Central Ave.
Portland, Oreg.	Room 339 U. S. Court House

Feed

Atlanta, Ga.	Room 521 New Post Office Bldg., Spring, Hunter & Forsyth Sts.
Chicago, Ill.	Room 1101 New Post Office Bldg.
Kansas City, Mo.	1513 Genesee Street
Los Angeles, Calif.	Room 304 Wholesale Terminal Bldg., 784 S. Central Ave.
Minneapolis, Minn.	Room 121, Federal Office Bldg.
Portland, Oreg.	Room 339 U. S. Court House
San Francisco, Calif.	Room 2 Ferry Bldg.

Beans

Los Angeles, Calif.	Room 304 Wholesale Terminal Bldg., 784 S. Central Ave.
San Francisco, Calif.	Room 2 Ferry Bldg.

Hops

City and State

Portland, Oreg. Room 339 U. S. Court House
San Francisco, Calif. Room 2 Ferry Bldg.

Livestock, Meats, and Wool

Baltimore, Md.	Room 3 Claremont Hotel, Union Stock Yards
Boston, Mass.	Room 704, Appraisers' Stores Bldg., 408 Atlantic Ave.
Buffalo, N. Y.	Stockyards Office
*Casper, Wyoming	Room 105 Federal Bldg.
Chicago, Ill.	Room 301, 999 Exchange Ave., Union Stock Yards
Cincinnati, Ohio	Livestock Exchange
Denver, Colo.	Room 214 Livestock Exchange
Des Moines, Iowa	Room 307-8 U. S. Court House, 1st & Walnut Sts.
Fort Worth, Texas	233 Livestock Exchange Bldg.
Indianapolis, Ind.	Room 244 Livestock Exchange
Kansas City, Mo.	964 Livestock Exchange
Los Angeles, Calif.	Room 206 Livestock Exchange Bldg., Union Stock Yards
Louisville, Ky.	Room 231 Livestock Exchange Bldg.
Nashville, Tenn.	Rooms 1-3 War Memorial Bldg., (Mail Address-214 Live- Stock Exchange)
National Stock Yards, Ill.	Rooms 59-61 Exchange Bldg., No. 2, P. O. Box 102
New York, N. Y.	Room 418 Federal Bldg., 641 Washington St.
No. Portland, Oreg.	Room 207 Livestock Exchange Bldg.
Ogden (including Salt Lake City), Utah	210 Livestock Exchange
Oklahoma City, Okla.	Room 204 Livestock Exchange Bldg.
Omaha, Nebraska	Room 305 Livestock Exchange Bldg.
Philadelphia, Pa.	Room 604-H Custom House Bldg.
*Pittsburgh, Pa.	306 Livestock Exchange
*San Antonio, Texas	Room 202 Livestock Exchange Bldg.
San Francisco, Calif.	Room 2 Ferry Bldg.
*Scottsbluff, Nebr.	Federal Bldg. (January to April inclusive)
Sioux City, Iowa	103 Livestock Exchange
So. St. Joseph, Mo.	Room 410 Livestock Exchange Bldg.
So. St. Paul, Minn.	Room 203 New Post Office Bldg., 234 North Concord St.
Wichita, Kans.	Room 37 Livestock Exchange

Tobacco

Louisville, Ky. Room 405 Federal Bldg.
Raleigh, N. C. P. O. Box 318

*No reports mailed.

COTTON MARKET REPORTS

The following reports are issued from Washington or from one or more of the Bureau's branch offices at Atlanta, Ga., Austin, Dallas, and El Paso, Texas, and Memphis, Tenn. These reports are distributed free in mimeographed form upon application.

Daily Reports:

Daily Official Report of the Designated Spot Cotton Markets.-Prices of Middling spot cotton prevailing at 14 designated spot markets and the differences prevailing between Middling and other grades at 10 of these markets are given.

Issued at Atlanta.

Staple Premiums.-This report gives the prevailing premiums for various staple lengths.

Issued daily and weekly (Saturday) at:

Atlanta
Dallas
Memphis

Weekly Reports:

Cotton Market Review.-This report gives a résumé of the domestic and foreign cotton market situation up to the close of the market on Friday.

Issued Saturday at:

Atlanta	Memphis
Dallas	Washington

Weekly Review American Cotton Linters.-This report gives prices in cents per pound, uncompressed, in carlots f.o.b. southeastern, valley, and western mill points. Based on the official standard grades.

Issued Wednesdays at Washington.

Weekly Grade and Staple Reports.-These reports, issued weekly during the principal part of the ginning season, show statistics on the quality of samples classed at the grade and staple offices during weekly periods ending with Thursday preceding the date of release.

Issued Saturday 12m. (E.S.T.) at: Austin, Dallas and El Paso, Texas; Atlanta, Georgia; Memphis, Tennessee, for States and districts; and Washington, D. C. (for the whole Cotton Belt).

Monthly Report:

The Cotton Situation.-This monthly publication, issued first in November 1936, supersedes "World Cotton Prospects." (See page 44).

Issued at Washington.

Seasonal Report:

Grade, Staple Length, and Tenderability of Cotton Ginned in the United States.--This report shows statistics on the quality of Upland and American-Egyptian cotton ginned in the United States up to specified dates.

Issued at Washington four times a year at 12 m. The schedule for the 1937-38 season is: On cotton ginned prior to October 1, October 22; prior to November 1, November 22; prior to December 1, December 22; total crop, April 12.

Annual Report:

Grade, Staple Length, and Tenderability of Cotton Carried over in the United States, August 1.--Statistics are given on the quality of carryover, both foreign and domestic, in the United States.

Issued at Washington as soon as possible after August 1.

DAIRY AND POULTRY MARKET REPORTS

The following reports are issued from Washington or from one or more of the branch offices in Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, Portland, San Francisco, and Seattle. All reports are mailed upon request. (For addresses of these branch offices, see page 13.)

Daily Reports:

Daily Market Report (Butter, Cheese, Eggs, Dressed Poultry).--This report gives market condition, receipts and cold-storage movement of butter, cheese, eggs, and dressed poultry; wholesale prices of butter and cheese in New York, Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia, and San Francisco; future prices of butter and eggs at Chicago; daily storage holdings at New York, Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia, and San Francisco, Buffalo, Providence, Pittsburgh, Omaha, Kansas City, and St. Louis; weekly storage holdings in a total of 35 markets; weekly production of butter in Pacific Slope States as reported by Bureau of Agricultural Economics, and for other sections as reported by trade groups; weekly receipts of eggs and poultry in Central West country packing plants, and the Chicago Feed-Egg ratio. Wholesale egg prices are reported at Boston, Philadelphia, Seattle and San Francisco. The Pacific Coast reports show jobbing prices of butter and eggs; storage movements once a week at Los Angeles, Portland, Seattle, San Diego, Santa Rosa, and Petaluma, and carlot shipments of eggs from Pacific Coast to eastern markets. Philadelphia and Portland reports show wholesale prices of live poultry in local markets.

Issued at:	Boston	New York	San Francisco
	Chicago	Philadelphia	Seattle
	Los Angeles	Portland	

Daily Butter, Cheese, and Egg Report (post card).--Brief report issued at Chicago includes wholesale prices of butter and tone of markets at Chicago, New York and Philadelphia. The San Francisco report includes local wholesale prices of butter, eggs and cheese, and tone of markets.

Issued at: Chicago and San Francisco.

Daily Poultry and Game Report.--This report gives net prices paid producers by local dealers and operators of dressing plants for live poultry delivered at San Francisco and Los Angeles; also at San Francisco, prices of dressed poultry to retailers. Prices are shown for various weights of each class of poultry and rabbits.

Issued at Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Boston Nearby Poultry and Egg Market Report.--Wholesale prices of nearby live poultry and nearby white and brown eggs are provided in this report.

Issued Tuesday to Friday, inclusive, at Boston.

Daily Reports (Cont'd):

Daily Turkey Market Report.--This report, issued during the turkey marketing season, gives prices paid in producing areas, and wholesale prices in terminal markets. Passings of cars of Texas and Oklahoma turkeys at Chicago, Kansas City, and St. Louis.

Issued at all offices from beginning of active marketing in November until close of Holiday trading.

Weekly Reports:

Weekly Butter Market Review.--This report comments on market conditions, receipts, supplies, and cold-storage movement; gives a chart showing prices of butter at Boston, Chicago, New York, and Philadelphia, and gives a price summary of future options on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

Issued, Fridays at Chicago, New York, Philadelphia, Portland, Oreg., and San Francisco; issued Saturdays at Boston.

Weekly Milk and Cream Report.--This report gives receipts of milk, cream, and fresh condensed milk, by States of origin, by railroads and by motor-truck; comments on current cream markets; and gives prevailing prices on cream at Boston, New York, and Philadelphia.

Issued, Mondays at Boston, New York and Philadelphia. Each report covers its own metropolitan area.

Monthly Reports:

Monthly Export and Import Report.--Monthly exports of butter, oleo-margarine, cheese, eggs, condensed and evaporated milk, and dry milk are given together with destinations of shipments by countries. Total imports of dairy products, eggs and egg products are included.

Issued at Washington and San Francisco about the 27th of each month.

Monthly Fluid-Milk Market Report.--This report summarizes prevailing wholesale and retail prices of milk paid by the different classes of trade, and prices paid to producers in the larger and more important cities of the United States. These prices also appear in "Crops and Markets." The report comments on trend of milk prices and contains a table showing a comparison of average daily milk purchases per producer by important market areas. It includes comments and prices on wholesale cream markets at Boston, New York, and Philadelphia.

Issued at Washington about the 12th of each month.

Monthly Reports (Cont'd):

Monthly Evaporated and Condensed Milk Market Report.--This report includes wholesale prices of sweetened condensed and unsweetened evaporated milk as quoted by manufacturers, prices paid producers by condenseries for whole milk in each geographic section of the United States, stocks in the hands of manufacturers on the first of each month, a table showing average daily purchases of milk per producer at condenseries in comparison with the previous month and the same month last year, and information concerning unsold stocks and production trends for each class of product. Once each quarter this report is accompanied by a statement of stocks in the hands of wholesale grocers.

Issued at Washington about the 22nd of each month.

Monthly Dry Milk Market Report.--This report gives sales and wholesale selling prices of the various classes of dry milk, as reported by manufacturers; stocks in manufacturers' hands on the first of each month, and the previous month's reported production, with comparisons. It comments on market conditions. Casein prices and a short comment on the casein market situation are included. A summary appears in "Crops and Markets."

Issued at Washington about the 27th of each month.

Monthly Milk and Cream Market Report.--This is a monthly summary of the statistical information contained in the weekly reports. A monthly summary of Chicago cream receipts appears once a month in the regular weekly report.

Issued at Boston, New York, and Philadelphia.

The Domestic Dairy Market Review and The Foreign Dairy Review.--The portion of the report which relates to domestic markets is a general summing up of the month's developments, with an interpretation of the changes occurring. It applies to all dairy products. Statistical tables show current production stocks, trade output, and total milk equivalents of butter, cheese, and condensed milk.

The foreign portion of the report centers on information relating to receipts of butter and cheese at important foreign markets, and trends of dairy products in important dairy-producing areas. It emphasizes conditions affecting demand in foreign markets. A statistical table shows the relation between prices of butter at New York, Copenhagen, Berlin, and London.

Issued at Washington about the 27th of each month.

Monthly Estimate of Creamery Butter and American Cheese Production.--Monthly estimates of butter production in creameries are made on the basis of a carefully selected group and the report shows total estimated butter production for the United States, with the most important States listed separately. Percentage changes from the previous year and the previous month are briefly discussed. Similar estimates, by sections, are made of American cheese production. The report is published in "Crops and Markets."

Issued at Washington about the 22nd of each month.

Monthly Reports (Cont'd):

The Dairy Situation.--This report summarizes monthly the production, prices, stocks, imports, and exports of dairy products, and reviews domestic and foreign dairy conditions. (See page 45).

Issued at Washington.

Monthly Live-Poultry Market Report.--This is a monthly summary of freight, express, and truck receipts, with monthly and calendar-year comparisons; origin of receipts by States with comparisons. The New York report shows also the make-up of cars unloaded.

Issued at Chicago and New York.

Monthly Egg and Poultry Market Review.--Includes comment and analysis of the market situation on eggs and poultry, with tables showing eggs and poultry receipts and cold-storage holdings, imports and exports of eggs and poultry and their products. Contains information as to the quantities of egg whites, egg yolks, and mixed whites and yolks packed each month as reported by concerns that operate egg-breaking establishments, and information as to the quantities of poultry canned or used for canning purposes, as reported by concerns that operate poultry-canning plants.

Issued at Washington about the 26th of each month.

The Poultry and Egg Situation.--A new monthly report, issued first in January 1937. (See page 45).

Issued at Washington.

Monthly Hatchery Report.--This report includes information as to capacity of hatcheries reporting, numbers of eggs set each month, numbers of salable chicks hatched, and numbers of baby chicks sexed, with comparisons of each of these items with the preceding year. A summary of the hatchings of turkey poults is released in October.

Issued at Washington during the hatchery season about the 8th (preliminary) and 15th (final) of each month.

Monthly Origin of Receipts by States.--Receipts of butter, cheese, eggs, and dressed poultry at each local market, by States of origin, are given for each month. Annual summaries also are available.

Issued at Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, and San Francisco.

Monthly Cold-Storage Report.--Stocks of butter, various varieties of cheese by varieties, case eggs, frozen eggs, and the various classes of poultry, by classes, on the first of each month are reported.

Issued at Washington, Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, Portland, and San Francisco about the 12th of the month following the date covered.

Annual Reports:

Statistical Reports.-(1) Butter; Supply, Distribution and Per Capita Consumption in Continental United States. (2) Cheese; Supply, Distribution and Per Capita Consumption in Continental United States. (3) Condensed and Evaporated Whole Milk; Supply, Distribution and Per Capita Consumption in Continental United States. (4) Manufactured Dairy Products; Factory Production, Whole-Milk Equivalents, and Adjustments to Show Estimated Factory Purchases of Fluid Milk in the United States. (5) Average Monthly Prices and Price Relatives for Fresh Eggs at Wholesale at Five Markets (Chicago, Cincinnati, New York, St. Louis, and San Francisco). (6) Average Monthly Wholesale Prices and Price Relatives for Fresh-Dressed Poultry at New York City.

Data are compiled annually on items (1) to (4) and monthly on (5) and (6). These data are issued annually in mimeographed tables for each of the six items.

Issued at Washington.

Annual Production Report on Manufactured Dairy Products.-This statistical report contains information regarding quantities of each manufactured dairy product produced monthly in the United States. The information is obtained once each 6 months directly from manufacturers of dairy products. The summary issued indicates the total annual production of individual products in each State. These statistics also appear in "Crops and Markets."

Issued at Washington.

Dairy and Poultry Market Statistics.-This report summarizes all dairy and poultry market statistics published during the preceding year in daily, weekly, and monthly reports.

Issued at Washington every February.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE MARKET REPORTS

The following reports are issued from Washington or from one or more of its branch offices as indicated. Upon request, any report will be mailed from the nearest branch office at which such report is issued. (For addresses of branch offices see pages 13 and 14)

Daily Reports:

Daily Market Reports on Fruits and Vegetables.—This report includes a summary of the total number of cars of each commodity shipped from each State during the previous day; f.o.b. prices and conditions prevailing in numerous producing areas; the number of cars of each fruit and vegetable received daily on the local market at which the report is issued, statements as to weather and general market conditions; the quality and condition of receipts, and prevailing market prices of the principal commodities in season. Similar reports from other principal cities are included. These reports cover all important fresh fruits and vegetables.

Issued at:	Atlanta	Detroit	Oklahoma City
	Baltimore(Inc..	Fort Worth	Philadelphia
	Washington)	Kansas City	Pittsburgh
	Boston	Los Angeles	Portland, Oreg.
	Chicago	Minneapolis	St. Louis
	Cincinnati	New Orleans	San Francisco
	Cleveland	New York	Seattle
	Denver		

In addition to the general reports covering all products in season on the respective markets, a large number of special commodity reports are issued, giving detailed shipment and market information for particular products. They are issued from certain of the above-mentioned offices, and from about 40 temporary field stations which are operated annually in important producing districts. Following is a list of such reports, listed by commodities, giving the location of the offices where issued and the approximate periods of publication in 1936.

Daily Market Report on Basis of Commodities

<u>Crops Covered</u>	<u>Location of Station</u>	<u>Approximate Period Covered by Reports</u>
Apples	Benton Harbor, Mich.	Aug. 20-Nov. 1
	Grand Rapids, Mich.	Nov. 3-Nov. 16
	Martinsburg, W. Va.	Sept. 14-Dec. 14
	Rochester, N. Y.	Sept. 4-May 25
	Seattle, Wash.	Jan. 3-June 6, Sept. 4-Dec. 31
Apricots	San Francisco, Calif.	May 21-July 9
Artichokes	San Francisco, Calif.	Jan. 2-Apr. 17, Oct. 12-Dec. 31
	(Semi-weekly)	
Asparagus	Atlanta, Ga.	Apr. 2-May 9
	Brawley, Calif.	Mar. 24-Apr. 7
Beans, snap	Belle Glade, Fla.	Nov. 19-Dec. 15, Apr. 9-May 14
	Brownsville, Texas	Jan. 2-May 29, Nov. 16-Dec. 31
	Crystal Springs, Miss.	May 1-June 4
	Pompano, Fla.	Dec. 27-Apr. 6

<u>Crops Covered</u>	<u>Location of Station</u>	<u>Approximate Period Covered by Reports</u>
Beets	Brownsville, Texas	Jan. 2-May 29, Nov. 16-Dec. 31
	Crystal Springs, Miss.	May 1-June 4
Brussel Sprouts	San Francisco, Calif. (semi-weekly)	Jan. 2-Apr. 4, Oct. 20-Dec. 31
Cabbage	Brownsville, Texas	Jan. 2-May 29, Nov. 16-Dec. 31
	Crystal Springs, Miss.	May 1-June 4
	Rochester, N. Y.	Sept. 4-Mar. 25
Cantaloups	Allendale, S. C.	June 29-July 16
	Brawley, Calif.	Apr. 16-July 13
	Los Angeles, Calif.	Aug. 29-Dec. 31
	Phoenix, Arizona	June 18-July 16
	Rocky Ford, Colo.	Aug. 10-Sept. 14
Carrots	Brawley, Calif.	Mar. 24-Apr. 24
	Brownsville, Texas	Jan. 2-May 29, Nov. 16-Dec. 31
	Rochester, N. Y.	Sept. 4-May 20
Cauliflower	Los Angeles, Calif.	Jan. 2-Dec. 31
	San Francisco, Calif.	Dec. 3-Apr. 14
Celery	Bradenton, Fla.	Apr. 19-May 19
	Los Angeles, Calif.	Aug. 29-Dec. 31
	Rochester, N. Y.	Sept. 4-Dec. 27
	Sanford, Fla.	Jan. 15-May 4
Cherries	San Francisco, Calif.	May 1-June 11
Chicory	Los Angeles, Calif.	Nov. 16-Dec. 31
Citrus Fruit	Brownsville, Texas	Jan. 2-Apr. 8
	Lakeland, Fla.	Sept. 30-June 6*
Cucumbers	Bradenton, Fla.	Apr. 19-May 19
	Denmark, S. C.	May 20-June 20
	Mobile, Ala.	May 18-June 16
Fruit Auctions	Cincinnati, Ohio (thrice-week)	Jan. 3-Dec. 31
Grapes	Benton Harbor, Mich.	Sept. 13-Oct. 1
	Fresno, Calif.	July 18-Nov. 7
	Rochester, N. Y.	Oct. 2-Oct. 31
	San Francisco, Calif.	Aug. 13-Dec. 14
Lettuce	Brawley, Calif.	Jan. 2-March 23
	Los Angeles, Calif.	Jan. 2-Dec. 31
	Phoenix, Ariz.	Jan. 2-Apr. 6, Dec. 6-Dec. 31
	Seattle, Wash.	May 1-Aug. 10, Oct. 22-Dec. 7
Onions	Benton Harbor, Mich.	Sept. 13-Nov. 1
	Brownsville, Texas	Apr. 5-May 16
	Corpus Christi, Texas	May 3-May 26
	Crystal City, Texas	Apr. 18-May 11
	Fort Worth, Texas	June 1-June 29
	Grand Rapids, Mich.	Nov. 3-Mar. 31*
	Laredo, Texas	Apr. 6-May 2
	Los Angeles, Calif.	Jan. 2-Dec. 31
	Rochester, N. Y.	Sept. 4-Apr. 10*
Peaches	Hamlet, N. C.	July 17-Aug. 10
	Macon, Ga.	June 12-Aug. 8
Pears	Benton Harbor, Mich.	Aug. 20-Oct. 7
	Denver, Colo.	Aug. 9-Aug. 29
	Rochester, N. Y.	Sept. 4-Oct. 24
	San Francisco, Calif.	June 13-Dec. 14

*Expected date of closing in 1937

<u>Crops Covered</u>	<u>Location of Station</u>	<u>Approximate Period Covered by Reports</u>
Peas, Green	Crystal Springs, Miss.	May 1-June 4
	Los Angeles, Calif.	Jan. 4-May 13, Aug. 25-Dec. 31
	San Francisco, Calif.	Mar. 14-April 14
	Seattle, Wash.	May 21-Aug. 24
Peppers	Belle Glade, Fla.	Apr. 9-May 14
	Pompano, Fla.	Jan. 3-Apr. 6
Plums and Prunes	Freewater, Oreg.	Aug. 1-Aug. 22
	Los Angeles, Calif.	Aug. 15-Aug. 22
	Nampa, Idaho	Aug. 31-Sept. 18
	San Francisco, Calif.	May 21-Sept. 7
Potatoes	Benton Harbor, Mich.	Sept. 13-Nov. 1
	Brownsville, Texas	Mar. 28-May 14
	Charleston, S. C.	May 20-June 4
	Grand Rapids, Mich.	Nov. 3-Apr. 10*
	Hastings, Fla.	Mar. 20-May 12
	Idaho Falls, Idaho	Sept. 13-Apr. 15*
	Los Angeles, Calif.	Jan. 2-Dec. 31
	Mobile, Ala.	May 10-June 16
	New Orleans, La.	Apr. 24-May 29
	New York, N. Y.	Jan. 2-Dec. 31
	Philadelphia, Pa.	Jan. 2-Dec. 31
	Pocomoke City, Md.	June 11-July 27
	Presque Isle, Maine	Sept. 14-Apr. 15*
	Rochester, N. Y.	Oct. 9-May 25*
	Seattle, Wash.	Jan. 2-Dec. 31
	Washington, N. C.	June 4-June 30
	Waupaca, Wis.	Sept. 13-Mar. 31*
Rhubarb	San Francisco, Calif.	Mar. 12-Apr. 4
Spinach	Brownsville, Texas	Jan. 2-Apr. 16
	San Antonio, Texas	Nov. 15-Mar. 30*
Strawberries	Chadbourn, N. C.	May 3-May 22
	Hammond, La.	Mar. 28-May 12
	Plant City, Fla.	Jan. 2-Apr. 11
	Pocomoke City, Md.	May 22-June 9
Sweet Potatoes	Atlanta, Ga.	Jan. 2-Mar. 9, Nov. 1-Dec. 31
	Fort Worth, Texas	Jan. 2-Apr. 17
	Philadelphia, Pa.	Aug. 29-Mar. 13*
	St. Louis, Mo.	Jan. 3-Apr. 13
Tomatoes	Belle Glade, Fla.	Apr. 9-May 14
	Bradenton, Fla.	Apr. 9-May 14
	Brownsville, Texas	Nov. 17-Dec. 8, Apr. 30-June 2
	Crystal Springs, Miss.	June 1-June 22
	Humboldt, Tenn.	June 25-July 13
	Jacksonville, Texas	May 31-June 30
	Los Angeles, Calif.	Jan. 4-Dec. 31
	Pompano, Fla.	Jan. 3-Apr. 6
	Allendale, S. C.	June 29-July 29
	Brawley, Calif.	May 2-July 2
Watermelons	Fort Worth, Texas	July 5-Aug. 3
	Hamlet, N. C.	July 17-Aug. 10
	Leesburg, Fla.	May 28-June 22
	Los Angeles, Calif.	May 14-July 12
	Macon, Ga.	July 9-Aug. 3
	Moultrie, Ga.	June 25-July 6

*Expected date of closing in 1937.

Weekly Reports:

Weekly Summary of Carlot Shipments.-The total number of cars of each product shipped from all States, by weeks and shipping season, as reported daily by telegraph to the Bureau by transportation companies, is given in this summary.

Issued at Washington.

Fruit Flashes.-This weekly report is issued during the exporting season, from cabled reports by the Bureau's fruit specialist in Europe. It gives information on supplies, demand, and prices in the leading European markets for American fruits, and observations on production in competitive countries. (See Foreign Agricultural Crop and Market Reports page 43)

Issued at Washington.

Monthly Reports:

Summary of Cold-Storage Holdings of Fruits and Vegetables in the United States.-This report shows the holdings of apples, pears, frozen and preserved fruits and frozen vegetables in storage on the first of each month; report on apples is from October to June. The report on the other commodities is published monthly throughout the year.

Issued about the 12th of each month at:

Atlanta	Detroit	Pittsburgh
Baltimore	Fort Worth	Portland, Oreg.
Boston	Kansas City	St. Louis
Chicago	Los Angeles	San Francisco
Cincinnati	New York	Seattle
Cleveland	Philadelphia	Washington
Denver		

Monthly Summary of Unloads.-This report summarizes unload information secured at 29 cities and covers practically all fresh fruits and vegetables.

Issued at Washington for Washington, Indianapolis, Milwaukee, Newark, Oklahoma City, Omaha, and Salt Lake City. Branch offices at the following cities issue their own reports:

Atlanta	Detroit	Philadelphia
Baltimore	Fort Worth(Inc.Dallas)	Pittsburgh
Boston	Kansas City	Portland, Oreg.
Chicago	Los Angeles	St. Louis
Cincinnati	Minneapolis(Inc.St.	San Francisco
Cleveland	New Orleans Paul)	Seattle
Denver	New York	

The Fruit and Vegetable Situation.-A new monthly report, issued first in January 1937. (See page 45. This report was discontinued in June 1937, and the information is now available in two reports - The Fruit Situation and The Vegetable Situation.)

Issued at Washington.

Yearly Reports:

Carlot Unloads of Fruits and Vegetables.-These are annual summaries of the carlot unloads in each of the following cities and cover practically all fresh fruits and vegetables.

Issued at Washington for Newark and Salt Lake City. Branch offices at the following cities issue their own reports:

Atlanta	Fort Worth(Inc. Dallas)	Philadelphia
Boston	Kansas City	Pittsburgh
Chicago	Los Angeles	Portland, Oreg.
Cincinnati	Minneapolis(Inc. St. Paul)	St. Louis
Cleveland		San Francisco
Denver	New Orleans	Seattle
Detroit	New York	

Annual Summary of Unloads.-This summary is issued separately for each of the following cities, showing unloads of 20 products in each market by commodities and by States of origin.

Akron	Hartford	Portland, Me.
Albany	Houston	Portland, Oreg.
Atlanta	Indianapolis	Providence
Baltimore	Jacksonville	Richmond
Birmingham	Kansas City	Rochester
Boston	Lexington	St. Louis
Bridgeport	Los Angeles	St. Paul
Buffalo	Louisville	Salt Lake City
Chicago	Memphis	San Antonio
Cincinnati	Milwaukee	San Francisco
Cleveland	Minneapolis	Seattle
Columbus	Nashville	Shreveport
Dallas	Newark	Sioux City
Dayton	New Haven	Spokane
Denver	New Orleans	Springfield, Mass.
Des Moines	New York	Syracuse
Detroit	Norfolk	Tampa
Duluth	Oklahoma City	Terre Haute
El Paso	Omaha	Toledo
Evansville	Peoria	Washington
Fort Worth	Philadelphia	Worcester
Grand Rapids	Pittsburgh	Youngstown

Annual Summary of Unloads.-This summary is issued separately for each of the following commodities, showing receipts in each of 66 cities by States of origin.

Apples	Lemons	Potatoes
Cabbage	Lettuce	Strawberries
Cantaloups	Onions	Sweetpotatoes
Carrots	Oranges	Tangerines
Celery	Peaches	Tomatoes
Grapefruit	Pears	Watermelons
Grapes	Plums and Prunes (fresh)	

Issued at Washington.

Annual Shipment Tabulations by Commodities.--These are yearly tabulations covering several of the more-important commodities, showing for each product the monthly carlot shipments grouped by States, counties, and billing stations.

Issued at Washington.

Annual Tabulations of Carlot Shipments.--Separate sheets for each of 47 fruits and vegetables, showing the total shipments by States of origin and by months, are issued. They are available for the following products:

Apples	Cucumbers	Pears
Apples, Dried	Eggplant	Peas, green
Apricots	Fruit, mixed deciduous	Peppers
Asparagus	Fruit, mixed citrus	Persian melons
Beans, snap & Lima	Grapefruit	Plums and Prunes
Beets	Grapes	(fresh)
Blackberries, Dewberries	Greens, except Spinach	Prunes, dried
& Loganberries	Honeyball melons	Potatoes
Cabbage	Honeydew melons	Spinach
Cantaloups	Lemons	Strawberries
Carrots	Lettuce and Romaine	Sweetpotatoes
Casaba melons	Melons, mixed	Tangerines
Cauliflower	Onions	Tomatoes
Celery	Oranges and Satsumas	Turnips, Rutabagas
Cherries	Peaches	Vegetables, mixed
Corn, green	Peaches, dried	Watermelons
Cranberries		

Seasonal Reports:

Foreign News on Vegetables.--Information on the acreage, production, growing conditions, movement and prices of fresh vegetables grown in other countries is available in The Vegetable Situation (See page 45.).

Issued at Washington.

Annual Summaries of Field Deals.--These annual mimeographed pamphlets cover the marketing season of a particular fruit and vegetable or a group of products on which daily market reports have been issued in producing districts. They summarize the season and include valuable tabulations of the movement, prices, and distribution of each product, as well as a general review of the shipping season for that product in the particular district covered.

Issued only in the field and at some of the market stations.

PEANUT MARKET REPORT

Weekly Report:

Weekly Peanut Report.--This report gives a résumé of arrivals of peanuts on 16 important markets, range of market prices for different varieties and grades, prices and conditions prevailing in the three principal producing sections, and shipments of peanuts and crude peanut oil by cleaners, shellers, and crushers as reported by station agents at points of shipment, and of motor-truck shipments of peanuts as reported directly by shellers and cleaners. Once a month export statistics for peanuts and peanut oil, obtained from the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, are included, and these statistics are summarized twice a year. Occasional reports from Consular agents and other authorities are published. Acreage, yield per acre and production statistics are released when available.

Issued at Washington.

HONEY MARKET REPORT

Semi-monthly Report:

Semi-monthly Honey Market Report.--Supplies of honey on the market at 15 important cities, and the range of market prices for different flavors and grades of comb and extracted honey are reported. Beeswax prices are included by 6 of these markets. Information concerning prices and general conditions relating to bees, honey plants, and market conditions is included from the principal honey-producing sections. This report is supplemented from time to time by articles from consuls, trade commissioners, etc., on conditions in foreign countries; and by import and export statistics, published monthly, and summarized twice a year.

Issued at Washington.

GRAIN MARKET REPORTS

The following reports are issued from Washington and/or from one or more of its branch offices in Atlanta, Chicago, Kansas City, Minneapolis, Portland, Oregon, and San Francisco. (For branch office addresses see page 14.)

Weekly Reports:

Weekly Grain Market Review.-This report is prepared in Washington each Saturday and wired to branch offices. It reviews the week's developments in the markets for the principal grains, including the latest reports on the progress of the various crops in the United States and in important foreign grain-producing countries. It reports market movements, exports, supply, demand and other market influences as they affect the domestic situation and gives prices of the principal grades and classes of grain in important United States markets, and prices of wheat from competing countries in several European markets.

Issued at: Washington
Chicago

Kansas City
Minneapolis

Portland, Oreg.
San Francisco

Weekly Grain and Feed Market Review.-This report is prepared each Monday at Atlanta. It reviews the market situation on grain, hay, and feed in the southeastern States. It deals principally with feeds used in that area and provides information as to market prices and demand for locally grown grains and hays.

Issued at Atlanta.

Weekly Rice Market Review.-This review is prepared Tuesday at Washington and covers the current supply, demand, and price situation in the principal domestic and foreign rice markets.

Issued at Washington and San Francisco.

Weekly Barley Market Review.-This review is prepared in Washington particularly for distribution on the Pacific Coast. It covers the week's developments in the Pacific Coast barley markets, including market movement, demand, and prices; reports changes or developments in the general domestic market situation, and reviews somewhat in detail the price changes in the London market for California barley and for barley from competing countries.

Issued at Portland, Oregon, and San Francisco.

Weekly Commercial Grain Stocks Report.-This reports stocks at 41 points in the United States, stocks of United States grain in Canada, and Canadian grain in United States, and Canadian grain in Canada.

Issued at: Washington
Chicago

Kansas City
Minneapolis

Portland, Oreg.
San Francisco

Monthly Reports:

Monthly Report of Rice Stocks and Movement.--This report is issued about the 10th of each month, giving statistics on stocks and movement of rough and milled rice for mills in the southern rice-producing States. A similar report is issued later in the month for California.

Issued at Washington.

The Wheat Situation.--This monthly publication, issued first in November 1936, supersedes World Wheat Prospects. (See page 44)

Issued at Washington.

Quarterly Report:

Quarterly Flax Market Review.--This quarterly summary deals with the general flax situation, including supplies, crushings, stocks, foreign competition, oil supplies and demand, and other market influences.

Issued at Washington about the 10th of February, May, August, and November.

Seasonal Reports:

Special Market Reports.--These special reports on grain are prepared at irregular intervals during the year as important statistics are released or as market information becomes available.

Issued at Washington.

Quality of the Grain Crops.--These reports are issued semi-monthly each year during the first quarter of the marketing season for the new crops of wheat, barley, oats, rye, grain sorghums, and corn. They indicate the quality of the crops according to the percentage quantities of inspected receipts at representative markets, by class, subclass, and grade.

Issued at Washington.

HAY MARKET REPORTS

The following reports are issued from branch offices in Kansas City, Los Angeles, and Portland, Oreg. (For branch office addresses see page 14.)

Daily and Tri-weekly Reports:

Daily Alfalfa Market Report.--This report issued at Los Angeles covers the local market on alfalfa including information on receipts, prices and market demand.

Issued at Los Angeles.

Daily and Tri-weekly Reports: (Cont'd)

Tri-weekly Hay Market Report.--This report issued tri-weekly on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at Kansas City covers the local market situation on alfalfa and prairie hay including information on receipts, quality, prices and source and character of demand.

Issued at Kansas City.

Weekly Report:

Weekly Alfalfa Hay Market Review.--This review, prepared on Tuesdays, covers the general situation in alfalfa markets and producing areas.

Issued at: Kansas City

Los Angeles

Portland, Oreg.

FEED MARKET REPORT

The following reports are issued in Washington and from one or more of its branch offices in Chicago, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, Portland, and San Francisco. (For branch office addresses see page 14).

Weekly Report:

Weekly Feed Market Review.--This review is prepared at Washington and contains a review of the market developments as to the supply and demand for feed at the principal markets, together with prices of the more important basic feeds at the principal producing or distributing markets.

Issued at: Washington

Los Angeles

Portland, Oreg.

Chicago

Minneapolis

San Francisco

Kansas City

Monthly Reports:

Monthly Feed Market Review.--This review features production, stocks, and utilization of feeds and feed grains; shifts in demand; relationships between prices of feedstuffs and livestock and dairy products; and trends of feed prices.

Issued at Washington.

Alfalfa Meal Production Report.--This report gives production of alfalfa meal as reported by meal manufacturers. Published also in Crops and Markets.

Issued at Washington, on the 15th of each month.

Distillers-Grain Production Report.--This report gives production and stocks of distillers dried grains as reported by manufacturers.

Issued at Washington, about the middle of each month.

Monthly Reports: (Cont'd)

Brewers-Grain Production Report.--This report gives production of brewers dried grains as reported by manufacturers.

Issued at Washington about the middle of each month.

Seasonal Report:

The Feed Grain Situation.--This seasonal report, the first issue of which was dated December 1936, supersedes Feed Prospects. (See page 44)

Issued at Washington.

SEED MARKET REPORTS

The following seed market reports are issued from Washington.

Monthly Report:

Retail Seed Price Report.--This report, issued about the 5th of each month from March to June inclusive, points out notable changes in prices from those of the preceding month (or from those of the preceding year in the case of the March 5 report), and contains a table showing retail prices of 24 kinds of field seeds in 29 States and two groups of States.

Issued at Washington.

Seasonal Reports:

Seed Movement and Price Reports.--These reports are issued for each important kind of field seed at intervals of about 4 weeks until practically all the commercial crop has been sold by growers. Information is given relative to the percentage of the current season's crop of a given kind of seed that has been sold by growers, and the prices offered to growers in important producing districts. The same kind of information is given for this seed on corresponding dates in previous years, for comparison.

Issued at Washington.

Annual Reports:

Seed Situation Reports.--These reports are issued for each of the important kinds of field seeds at about the time the respective crops are harvested (June to November). Dates of issuance vary somewhat according to whether the growing season is advanced or is backward. The reports describe the current year's crop of each important kind of field seed in terms of last year's crop with respect to acreage and yield per acre, and give prices paid to growers in principal producing districts, together with other factors bearing on the supply of and demand for this seed.

Issued at Washington.

Annual Reports:(Cont'd)

Seed Shipment Reports.--These reports are issued after the bulk of each of the crops has been sold by growers. They cover shipments of the current season's crop up to January 1 or January 15, shipments expected to be made after these dates, total shipments made the preceding year by those reporting, stocks held by them on January 1 or January 15, and average prices paid to growers for the current and preceding year's crops.

Issued at Washington.

Prospective Seed Sales Report.--This report is issued between February 15 and 28, before many of the small seed dealers have bought much seed. It indicates how the current year's prospective sales compare with that of the preceding year in 29 States and two groups of States for the following kinds of seeds: red clover, alsike clover, sweetclover, lespedeza, alfalfa, timothy, redbud, Kentucky bluegrass, orchard grass, lawngrass mixtures, millet, sorgo, Sudan grass, cowpeas, soybeans, and seed corn.

Issued at Washington.

Retail Seed Sales Summary.--This summary, issued between July 10 and 20, compares sales made during the current year with those of the preceding year for the same kinds of seeds and the same States as in the Prospective Seed Sales Report.

Issued at Washington.

BEAN MARKET REPORT

The following report is issued from branch offices in Los Angeles and San Francisco. (For branch office addresses see page 14.)

Weekly Report:

Weekly Bean Market Review.--This review deals with the market situation for beans in California and to a limited extent in other western bean-growing areas and includes prices on the principal varieties of California beans at San Francisco and Los Angeles and prices to growers.

Issued at Los Angeles and San Francisco.

HOP MARKET REPORTS

The following reports are released from branch offices at Portland and San Francisco. (For branch office addresses see page 15.)

Seasonal Report:

Hop Market Reviews.--These reviews are issued weekly on Thursday from Sept. 1 to Dec. 1 and monthly from January to August, inclusive. They discuss the hop market situation on the Pacific Coast and give prices in these and other domestic and foreign markets. Foreign crop and market data are included.

Issued at Portland and San Francisco.

LIVESTOCK, MEATS, AND WOOL MARKET REPORTS

The following reports are issued regularly from Washington or from one or more of the branch offices in Baltimore, Boston, Buffalo, Chicago, Cincinnati, Denver, Des Moines, Fort Worth, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Louisville, Nashville, National Stock Yards, Ill., (E. St. Louis), New York, North Portland, Oreg., Ogden, Oklahoma City, Omaha, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Sioux City, So. St. Joseph, So. St. Paul, and Wichita. (See page 15 for branch office addresses.)

Daily Reports:

Daily Livestock Market Report.-Supply and demand, prices, and trend of market for cattle, calves, hogs, sheep and lambs, at Buffalo, Chicago, Cincinnati, Denver, Fort Worth, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Louisville, Nashville, National Stock Yards, Ill., New York (including Jersey City), North Portland, Ogden (including Salt Lake City), Oklahoma City, Omaha, San Francisco, Sioux City, So. St. Joseph, So. St. Paul, and Wichita are noted.

Issued each market day except Saturday at:

Boston	Los Angeles	Ogden
Chicago	Louisville	Oklahoma City
Cincinnati	Nashville	Omaha
Denver	National Stock Yards, Ill.	Philadelphia
Fort Worth	New York	San Francisco
Indianapolis	North Portland, Oreg.	South St. Paul
Kansas City		Wichita

Reports are also issued Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at Buffalo, and Monday and Thursday at Baltimore.

Daily Hog Market Report.-This report covers supply, demand, trend of the market, and prices paid for hogs sold direct to packers at 22 concentration yards and 9 packing plants in interior Iowa and southern Minnesota, and gives brief summaries of several public hog markets for the day.

Issued daily at Des Moines, Iowa.

Daily Report Meat Trade Conditions and Wholesale Prices-Western Dressed Meats.-This report gives supply and demand, prices, and trend of the wholesale market for western dressed fresh beef, veal, lamb, mutton, and pork in Boston, Chicago, New York, and Philadelphia.

Issued each market day except Saturday at:

Boston	National Stock Yards, Ill.	Omaha
Chicago	New York	Philadelphia
Kansas City		

Daily Report of Meat Trade Conditions and Wholesale Prices-Locally Dressed Meats.-Market comments, with wholesale prices, on locally dressed fresh meats are given.

Issued each market day except Saturday at New York City.

Daily Reports: (Cont'd)

Daily Special Grass Cattle Market Report.--This report gives a brief statement of market conditions on grass cattle at Chicago, Kansas City, National Stock Yards, Ill., Omaha, Sioux City, South St. Paul, and South St. Joseph markets, with prices paid for cattle marketed from the range and large pasture areas.

Issued daily except Saturday from July 1 to November 15 at:

Denver	North Portland	San Francisco
Fort Worth	Ogden	Wichita

Semi-Weekly Report:

Semi-Weekly Review of Meat Trade Conditions.--This review covers local wholesale trading in fresh and smoked meats at San Francisco and the San Francisco Bay district. It is released on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Issued at San Francisco.

Weekly Report:

Weekly Review of Livestock Markets.--This report reviews market conditions for the week at the market where released, including detailed information as to receipts, demand, and prices paid for the various classes and grades of livestock.

Issued at:

Baltimore	Kansas City	North Portland
Buffalo	Los Angeles	Ogden(Inc.N.Salt Lake
Chicago	Louisville	Omaha City)
Cincinnati	Nashville	San Francisco
Denver	National Stock Yards, Ill.	South St. Paul
Fort Worth	New York (Inc.Jersey City)	Wichita
Indianapolis		

Every Friday telegraphic reviews covering the livestock markets at Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, and National Stockyards, Ill., are released by the Boston, New York, and Philadelphia offices.

Every Wednesday the Boston office releases a report of the Brighton Livestock market covering the Tuesday and Wednesday sessions.

Special Western Sheep and Lamb Contract Report.--This report, issued weekly during the greater part of the year, covers contract and direct sales and movements of sheep and lambs, and gives information relative to feed conditions in producing areas of California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Southwestern Montana, Utah, and Wyoming.

Issued at:

Chicago	Kansas City	Omaha
Denver	North Portland	San Francisco
Fort Worth	Ogden	South St. Paul

Weekly Reports: (Cont'd)

Weekly Livestock Market Statistics.--This report shows comparative receipts of cattle at seven markets; beef steers sold out of first hands at Chicago for slaughter; movement of feeder and stocker cattle from 12 markets into 7 States; movements of feeder and stocker cattle from four markets, periodically and seasonally with average weights, and costs; comparative receipts of hogs at seven markets; weekly average weight and cost of hogs at five markets; comparative receipts of sheep at seven markets; movement of feeder and stocker sheep from 12 markets into 7 States; and number of hogs slaughtered under Federal inspection at eight centers weekly with cumulative weekly figures and comparisons, animals slaughtered under Federal inspection (monthly), totals and comparisons.

Issued at Chicago.

Weekly Stocker and Feeder Report.--This report gives a summary of local market conditions for the week on stocker and feeder cattle, hogs, and sheep, together with statistical tabulations covering State destinations of shipments and numbers and average prices of various classes by specific weight divisions.

Issued at Kansas City and South St. Paul.

Weekly Review of Wholesale Meat Trade Conditions.--At the three eastern cities, Boston, New York and Philadelphia, this review covers local wholesale trading in western dressed fresh meats.

Issued at:

Boston

New York

Philadelphia

At five other markets this review covers the week's wholesale trade in fresh meats at Chicago and New York, with a table of comparative prices.

Issued at:

Chicago

National Stock Yards, Ill. South St. Paul

Kansas City

Omaha

Weekly Review of Wholesale Meat Trade Conditions.-- Locally Dressed Meats.--This review covers the week's market on locally dressed meats.

Issued at New York.

Weekly Review of Boston Wool Market.--This report reviews wool market conditions and price quotations on the principal grades and classes of domestic and foreign wool and mohair on the Boston market and reports wool market conditions in general.

Issued at Boston.

A similar though somewhat shorter weekly report reviewing conditions on the Boston wool market and giving Boston quotations on the principal grades of domestic wool and mohair is issued at:

Baltimore

National Stock Yards, Ill. Omaha

Chicago

New York

Philadelphia

Denver

North Portland

San Francisco

Fort Worth

Ogden

South St. Paul

Kansas City.

Weekly Reports: (Cont'd)

Weekly Review of Wool Statistics.--This statistical report carries information in comment and tabular form on receipts and shipments of wool and mohair at Boston and imports at the three principal eastern ports.

Issued at Boston.

Weekly Special Livestock Report.--This report reviews the local livestock market and is prepared especially for distribution to country papers and to banks and other financial institutions.

Issued at:

Nat'l Stock Yards, Ill South St. Joseph
Sioux City

South St. Paul

Market Reviews and Statistical Summaries of Livestock, Meats and Wool.--This report, released each Wednesday, carries the more important economic statistics, pertaining to the livestock, meat, and wool industries as they become available, with brief interpretive articles and special discussions dealing with economic conditions and developments in these industries. Current weekly, monthly, and yearly livestock price and supply data are carried, including market prices of livestock at representative markets; wholesale meat prices at New York, Chicago, and Philadelphia; retail meat prices at New York and Chicago; wool prices at Boston; receipts and disposition of livestock at public stockyards; slaughter of animals under Federal inspection; exports and imports of meats and wool; storage holdings of meats and lard; production and consumption of meats and lard; classification and source of purchase of livestock slaughtered; and monthly average costs, live weights, and dressing yields of livestock slaughtered.

Issued at Washington.

Monthly Reports:

Animals Slaughtered Under Federal Meat Inspection.--These monthly reports prepared from compilations supplied by the Bureau of Animal Industry, show the number of cattle, calves, swine, sheep and lambs, goats, and horses slaughtered under Federal Meat Inspection during the preceding month, with totals and comparisons. The complete table is also published in "Crops and Markets" and in "Market Reviews and Statistical Summaries of Livestock, Meats and Wool."

Issued at:

Boston
Chicago
Cincinnati
Denver
Des Moines
Fort Worth
Indianapolis

Kansas City
Louisville
Nashville
Nat'l Stockyards, Ill.
New York
North Portland, Oreg.
Ogden

Omaha
Philadelphia
San Francisco
South St. Joseph
South St. Paul
Wichita

Monthly Reports: (Cont'd)

Cold Storage Holdings of Frozen and Cured Meats.--This summary, issued monthly, shows the stocks of frozen and cured beef and pork (including lard), frozen lamb and mutton, and miscellaneous meats, in storage on the 1st of each month in the United States. Also published in "Market Reviews and Statistical Summaries of Livestock, Meats and Wool."

Issued at:

Boston	Kansas City	Omaha
Chicago	Louisville	Philadelphia
Cincinnati	Nashville	San Francisco
Denver	Nat'l Stock Yards, Ill.	South St. Joseph
Des Moines	New York	South St. Paul
Fort Worth	North Portland, Oreg.	Washington
Indianapolis	Ogden	Wichita

Receipts and Disposition of Livestock at Public Markets.--This monthly report shows the receipts and disposition of livestock at 62 markets, with comparisons with the corresponding month of the preceding year and the average for the month for the preceding 5 years. The tabulations are also published in "Crops and Markets."

Issued at Washington.

Monthly Report Slaughter of Livestock.--This report shows average monthly costs, yields, and weight of animals slaughtered, sources of supply, and classification. It is based on returns from approximately 500 packers and slaughterers whose slaughtering equaled nearly 75 percent of total slaughter under Federal Meat Inspection. The complete table is also published in "Market Reviews and Statistical Summaries of Livestock, Meats and Wool."

Issued at Washington.

Meat Graded by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics.--These reports issued monthly and annually show the quantity of meats, by classes, and by markets graded by the Bureau.

Issued at Washington.

The Beef Cattle Situation.--A new monthly report, issued first in January 1937. (See page 44)

Issued at Washington.

The Hog Situation.--This monthly report, issued first in November 1936, supersedes World Hog and Pork Prospects. (See page 44.)

Issued at Washington.

The Sheep and Lamb Situation.--A new monthly report, issued first in January 1937. (See page 44)

Issued at Washington.

Monthly Reports: (Cont'd)

The Wool Situation.--This monthly report, issued first in January 1937, supersedes World Wool Prospects. (See page 44)

Issued at Washington.

Estimates of Livestock on Farms, Cattle and Sheep on Feed, the Lamb Crop, the Pig Crop, Wool and Mohair Shorn, Shipments of Cattle, and Marketing of Western Cattle and Sheep prepared by the Crop Reporting Board and Livestock Outlook Reports are mimeographed and distributed from most of the Livestock Market News Offices upon request. (See page 10 for list of these reports and dates of issue.)

Annual Reports:

Report on Weight and Cost of Livestock Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection and of the Resultant Dressed Meat.--This annual report, usually released in February, shows on a monthly basis the numbers and the estimated total weight and cost of live animals by classes slaughtered under Federal inspection and of the resultant meats passed for food.

Issued at Washington.

Estimated Production and Consumption of Federally Inspected Meats.--This annual report, usually released in February, shows on a monthly basis the number of livestock, by species, passed for food under Federal inspection, their average dressed weight, the total meat production by classes, imports and exports in pounds, storage holdings, total apparent consumption, and the per-capita consumption of Federally inspected meats.

Issued at Washington.

Drive-in Receipts of Livestock.--This annual report, usually released in February, shows the total receipts and driven-in receipts of livestock by months at 62 markets, the percent of drive-ins to the totals, and the monthly drive-ins by markets and species. Similar data are shown relative to 17 markets combined and separately for a period of years.

Issued at Washington.

Livestock, Meats, and Wool Market Statistics and Related Data.--This annual statistical handbook, usually released in May, contains statistics relating to the livestock, meat, and wool industries, including numbers, receipts, farm and market prices of livestock, prices of meats, Federal slaughter, cold-storage holdings, imports and exports, live and dressed weights, and retail prices of meats.

Issued at Washington.

TOBACCO MARKET REPORTS

Daily and Weekly Reports:

Tobacco Price Reports (By Types).--Market news reports are issued weekly for several types of tobacco from a convenient central point; they set forth the average prices on all grades appearing in sufficient volume to establish an average. An abbreviated market report is also released to the press, by wire. Each report covers all markets in the respective type district on which official tobacco grading service is in effect, and is distributed to farmers, tobacco buyers, publishers, and agricultural workers, and to State marketing agencies for use in radio broadcast or for other means of distribution. The points from which these reports are issued are:

Raleigh, N. C. - Reporting flue-cured tobacco markets of Types 11, 12, 13, and 14 of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia; and fire-cured tobacco markets of Type 21 in Virginia.

Louisville, Ky. - Reporting fire-cured tobacco markets of Types 22, 23, and 24; Burley markets, Type 31; dark air-cured markets, Type 36; all in Kentucky and Tennessee.

In addition to the regular weekly reports, daily reports will be issued for a limited period after the markets open in each type area from a portable field unit, operating on an important market.

General Tobacco Market News.--Weekly summaries covering market conditions and prices on all types are issued from Washington.

Quarterly Report:

Stocks of Leaf Tobacco in the Hands of Dealers and Manufacturers.--These reports give the number of pounds of leaf tobacco on hand at the beginning of each quarter, segregated by types, by unstemmed and stemmed, and by broad divisions of quality. To arrive at statistics on the broad division of quality four or five major groups of grades are recognized which roughly indicate the manufacturing utility of the tobacco. Two additional designations are provided for "scrap" and "nondescript." These reports are issued under authority of the United States tobacco stocks and standards act (Public No. 661, 70th Congress) and amendments. Effective January 1, 1936, stocks on the island of Puerto Rico are included.

Issued at Washington.

Seasonal Report:

The Tobacco Situation.--A new seasonal report, first issued in January 1937. (See page 45)

Issued at Washington.

COLD STORAGE REPORTS

Monthly Reports:

Summary of Cold Storage Holdings.--A report is issued for each of the following groups: Dairy products and eggs; fruits and vegetables; frozen and cured meats; and frozen poultry. In all, these groups cover about 30 commodities including apples and pears in fresh state, cold-packed fruits, frozen vegetables, dairy products and eggs, frozen poultry, frozen and cured meats, and lard. Each report shows holdings as of the first of each month. Release dates for the year 1937 are as follows: January 12, February 11, March 12, April 12, May 12, June 11, July 12, August 12, September 13, October 12, November 12, and December 13. (See under commodity headings.)

Cold Storage Holdings of Fish.--The U. S. Department of Commerce issues reports based on information supplied by the Cold Storage Report Section of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. These reports show holdings as of the 15th of each month of 40 edible varieties of fish and are released on the last day of each month. Requests for this report should be made to the Bureau of Fisheries, Department of Commerce.

Slaughter of Livestock.-- (See page 39)

Oleomargarine Production.--This report gives the production of oleomargarine, colored and uncolored, during the month.

RADIO SERVICES

National Network Programs.--"Farm Business Facts" is the title of a weekly broadcast on the National Farm and Home Hour program which is carried by more than 60 radio stations. Special broadcasts of reports and reviews also are included on this program. On May 15, 1937, the Bureau inaugurated as a part of the Farm and Home Hour a one-minute daily broadcast of news from the principal farm markets. It covers only the market highlights for a number of the major farm products, including wheat, corn, potatoes, butter and eggs, hogs, cattle and lambs.

Regional Networks.--General economic information and daily market reports are sent to the Pacific Coast and Rocky Mountain States through the Western Farm and Home Hour from San Francisco. Similar programs are sent to New England listeners through programs originating in Boston.

Spot and Local Broadcasting.--The market reports broadcast as independent programs to serve local areas in the United States consist principally of information supplied by the Bureau. These reports are in most instances, provided by the branch offices. In many cases these reports are broadcast by one of the Bureau staff. Occasionally they are broadcast direct from branch offices through remote-control wires. These reports are not distributed in any other way. Anyone wishing copies of the mimeographed market reports should apply to the nearest branch office of the Bureau. (See page 13.)

Additional economic information is provided by the Radio Service of the Department to listeners of approximately 240 local radio stations over the country. The service is known as "Farm Flashes."

SITUATION AND OUTLOOK REPORTS

SITUATION REPORTS

General--All Commodities

Two situation reports provide information to those who wish to follow the general agricultural situation and the outlook for the important farm products. Together with the more complete situation reports on individual commodities, they furnish a means of keeping up to date on the outlook for farm products between issues of the annual outlook report released in November of each year. The first of these two general situation reports is designed particularly for farmers, while the second is adapted to the requirements of economists, extension workers, and business men.

The Agricultural Situation.--A 24- or 32-page printed periodical issued the first week of each month. Contains very brief summaries of the price and production situations for the more important farm products, and a limited number of tables enabling the reader to keep up to date on the current agricultural situation. Brief articles dealing with current economic problems of agriculture also are included. This publication is designed primarily for those who are interested in following the general situation for agriculture from a non-technical standpoint. Free distribution is limited to U. S. Department of Agriculture or State College workers or cooperators, to libraries, and the press. Others may obtain it from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., at a subscription price of 25 cents a year (foreign rate 45 cents).

The Demand and Price Situation.--A mimeographed monthly review of the factors affecting the domestic and foreign demand for farm products, and of general trends in the prices of farm products, wholesale prices of other products, and farm income. It also contains summaries of the price situation and outlook for the major farm products. This publication is issued for limited distribution about the 15th of each month.

Individual Commodity Situation Reports

For each of the more important farm products for which adequate information is available, a mimeographed review is issued periodically, designed to give a rather complete picture of the supply, demand and price situation for the respective commodities. These situation reports bring up to date the outlook for the several commodities between issues of the annual outlook reports. Tables and charts are included, containing current figures on acreage, yield, production, market movement, stocks, consumption, foreign trade, and prices, with comparisons for other significant periods. From time to time, the results of special studies relating to the prices of the respective commodities are included.

Thus, anyone receiving one of the two general situation reports, and the situation report for the commodity of particular interest, is able to keep up to date on the price situation and outlook between issues of the annual reports.

The Wheat Situation.--This mimeographed report, issued first in November 1936, supersedes World Wheat Prospects. It is issued about the 23rd of each month. This new report provides current information on changes in factors which affect the outlook for the production and price of wheat. It also includes observations on foreign conditions as reported by the American agricultural attaches and commissioners in Europe, the Orient and South America. When important developments occur, data and discussion relating to rye are included.

The Cotton Situation.--Issued first in November 1936, supersedes World Cotton Prospects. It is issued about the 25th of each month. Because of legal limitations, no forecasts of cotton prices or domestic production are included, but the report contains the basic data and other information bearing on the outlook, including observations of foreign supply and demand conditions.

The Feed Grain Situation.--This report, first issued in December 1936, supersedes Feed Prospects, and is released about the 25th of March, August, and December. It contains data and text relating to corn, oats, barley, soybeans, grain sorghums, and also hay and pastures. This publication is designed for producers of livestock, dairy and poultry products, and growers of feed grains.

The Hog Situation.--Issued first in November 1936, and supersedes the former release entitled World Hog and Pork Prospects. It appears about the 18th of each month. It contains data and discussion relating to the outlook for production and prices of hogs and hog products, both domestic and foreign. Some of the material relating to foreign conditions which formerly appeared in World Hog and Pork Prospects, however, has been omitted because it no longer has an important bearing on the domestic outlook.

The Beef Cattle Situation.--First issued in January 1937, appears about the 19th of each month. It provides current information on the factors affecting the outlook for production and prices of cattle and calves, including a brief review and analysis of recent developments.

The Sheep and Lamb Situation.--This report, the first issue of which appeared in January 1937, is issued about the 20th of each month. In addition to a review of recent developments and discussion of the short-time outlook for lambs, it contains a brief summary of the wool situation.

The Wool Situation.--This report superseded World Wool Prospects beginning with the January 1937 issue, and appears about the 9th of each month. It is designed particularly for large growers of and dealers in wool, and technical workers interested in this commodity, and is not intended to be a popular presentation. It contains tables summarizing a large part of the current information on wool compiled by the Bureau, as well as discussions of the domestic and foreign situations. Growers interested only in a very brief summary of the wool situation probably will find the Sheep and Lamb Situation report better adapted to their requirements.

The Dairy Situation.-This report, issued about the 16th of each month, covers developments relating to butter, cheese, market milk, and other dairy products, and an analysis of the general production and price situation for these commodities as a group.

The Poultry and Egg Situation.-This report was first issued in January 1937 and appears about the 8th of each month. It contains discussions of the significance of changes in the situation for poultry and eggs during the past month as they affect the outlook for the future.

The Fruit Situation.-Latest available information on demand, production, marketings, prices, and the outlook for fruits, is contained in this report issued about the 22nd of each month. (Formerly a part of The Fruit and Vegetable Situation, discontinued in May 1937.)

The Vegetable Situation.-Issued about the 27th of each month, this report covers developments with respect to demand, production, marketings, prices and outlook for vegetables. This report was formerly a part of The Fruit and Vegetable Situation but since June 1937 has been issued as a separate report.

The Tobacco Situation.-This report is issued in January, March, July, and September, about the 26th of the month. It provides current information on changes in the factors which affect the demand for and the supply and prices of the more important types of tobacco produced in the United States. The first issue appeared in January 1937.

The Fats and Oils Situation.-This new publication, issued first in March 1937, will appear about the 14th of each month. It provides statistical information and analyses relating to the group of commodities collectively designated as fats and oils, and from month to month will feature those aspects of the situation which are especially timely. Report is designed for manufacturers, dealers, and others interested in the technical phases of fats and oils. Farmers and others interested in following the outlook for commodities such as flax or soybeans, which are a part of the fats and oils situation, are referred to the spring and fall outlook reports or market reviews dealing with these commodities rather than this more technical situation report.

OUTLOOK REPORTS

The Agricultural Outlook Report (Annual) is distributed in November each year. It is prepared by committees of commodity and economic specialists in the Bureau, with the assistance of representatives from other Bureaus in the Department and from the Land Grant Colleges. After the individual commodity reports have been prepared, they are criticized by the entire group of Department of Agriculture and Land Grant College representatives in the annual Outlook Conference which is held during the last week of October or the first week of November. The Outlook Report presents statements relating to the current situation and outlook for each of the important farm commodities. It is designed to bring together all the available facts that will help producers make their production and marketing plans for the year. The Outlook Report is printed in the Miscellaneous Publication Series for free distribution to farmers.

Seasonal Outlook Reports.--Special spring and midsummer outlook reports have been discontinued. This information, however, is provided in March and August (July for hogs and poultry) in special issues of the individual commodity Situation reports.

Outlook Charts

Outlook Charts.--Charts and maps on subjects covered in the outlook report are issued in the form of bulletins, multilith books, and wall charts. A list of these outlook charts, relating to each annual outlook, is issued for the use of economic workers and teachers. Anyone may buy photographic prints of charts or maps. Prices are 10 cents each for 8 x 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " prints; 10 cents for 30 x 40" on blue-print paper; 20 cents for 30 x 40" wall charts on black-line paper; 75 cents for 30 x 40" wall charts on bromide paper.

Outlook Chart Books.--A series of chart books, 8 x 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " in size, containing maps and charts on the principal crops, farm family living, demand, credit and prices, with data and explanatory legends, are issued for outlook workers. This series now covers the following:

Beef Cattle	Fruits: Apples, Citrus, Peaches, etc.
Cotton	Hogs
Dairy Products	Potatoes, and Truck Crops
Demand, Credit, and Prices	Poultry and Eggs
Farm Family Living & Summaries	Rice, Dry Beans, and Broomcorn
Feed Crops: Corn, Oats, Barley,	Sheep, Lambs, and Wool
Hay and Total Livestock	Tobacco
Flax, Soybeans, Peanuts, and	Wheat and Rye
Cottonseed	

FARM INCOME REPORTS

Farm income reports represent two distinct types of farm income series. One type estimates income from farm marketings. It represents cash income received from sales of farm products during each month and totaled for the calendar year. The data are released monthly. The other type estimates income from farm production. It represents the yearly income resulting from a given year's agricultural production. These data are released annually. In the estimates of income from farm production, emphasis is placed on the year in which the commodity sold was produced. In the estimates of income from farm marketings, emphasis is placed on the year in which the income was received. This distinction results in different cash farm income totals for any particular year although the average yearly cash farm income over a period of years is approximately the same in the two types of estimates.

Monthly Reports:

Estimate of Cash Income from Farm Marketings, United States.--This report shows monthly estimates of cash income from the sale of farm products and contains a break-down of the income for the major groups of farm commodities. Government payments to farmers are shown separately and also in a combined grand total. Issued as a mimeographed report about the 22nd of each month following the month under review.

Receipts from the Sale of Principal Farm Products by States.--These State estimates are based upon the marketings of 33 of the more important farm commodities, which, for the United States as a whole, represent approximately 93 percent and for the separate States 81 to 99 percent of the income from marketings of all farm products. The State estimates of cash receipts are broken down into receipts from crops, from livestock and livestock products, and from Government payments to farmers. Issued as a mimeographed report about the 6th of the second month following the month under review.

Annual Reports:

Income from Farm Production, United States.--Annual estimates of the gross and cash farm income for the United States as a whole and of the deductions to be made to arrive at a net income figure. Some items have been worked back to 1909 but the more complete analyses are for the period beginning with 1924. State figures on expenses and net income are not available. Issued in mimeographed form and summarized in "Crops and Markets."

Annual Reports: (Cont'd.)

Income from Farm Production by States and by Commodities.--Annual estimates of the farm value, gross income and cash income from farm production prepared from data based upon the estimates of production and disposition of 78 crops and 13 livestock items, which contribute about 98 percent or more of all income from farm products. The value of produce of gardens, poultry flocks, etc., not on farms is not included; nor is any estimate made of the income of farmers from labor off the farm or from investments. Estimates by States have been made as yet only for receipts. Without comparable estimates of expenditures and capital costs involved in farm production the receipts are not to be taken as complete measures of economic conditions of farmers in the several States. Issued in mimeographed form and summarized in "Crops and Markets."

Farm Returns.--Annual summaries of reports of individual farmers, each reporting the financial results of his own farm business for the calendar year. Receipts, expenses and other information for described farms are shown as averages. Results are presented as averages in six geographic divisions, but not by States. Farmers who report have farms larger than the averages shown by the Census of Agriculture, hence are not "average" in the usual sense. Broadly, they reflect the shifting conditions from year to year and from one section of the country to another. Issued in mimeographed form for limited distribution.

 FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL CROP AND MARKET REPORTS

For the purpose of keeping more closely in touch with the world situation with respect to agriculture, the Bureau maintains resident representatives in several foreign countries. Headquarters are in the following cities and the representatives cover the designated territories:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Territory covered</u>
London	United Kingdom, Irish Free State, and British Dominions
Berlin	Germany, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Austria, Switzerland, The Netherlands, the Baltic and Scandinavian countries
Belgrade	Danube Basin
Paris	Mediterranean Basin and Belgium
Shanghai	China and Japan
Buenos Aires	Argentina and contiguous countries

In addition to the above resident staff, specialists who give particular attention to certain commodities are located in:

<u>Commodity</u>	<u>Headquarters</u>	<u>Territory covered</u>
Cotton	Bombay	India
Tobacco	Shanghai	China
Fruit	London	Europe
Cotton	London	Europe
Tobacco	London	Europe
Livestock, Meats, & Wool	Berlin	Europe

Reports are received from the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome, Italy, from members of the Consular Service of the State Department, and from representatives of the Foreign Commerce Service of the Department of Commerce.

Reports from the representatives on foreign crop and market conditions are received by radio, cable, and mail. Current information is released immediately upon receipt (by means of the telegraph, the radio, the press, and the mails) before appearing in Bureau publications.

Foreign Crops and Markets.—The weekly mimeographed publication "Foreign Crops and Markets" is the primary outlet for current crop and market information gathered abroad by Bureau representatives. It is distributed to a limited list of producers, dealers in agricultural products, farm journals, newspapers, educational institutions, and trade organizations, particularly those who are in a position to republish the material or circulate it in agricultural sections.

Foreign Agriculture.-This is a monthly review which includes primarily the kind of material that has been embodied in the feature articles formerly appearing in "Foreign Crops and Markets." The first issue appeared in January 1937. The articles appearing in "Foreign Agriculture" in general fall within three broad classifications - (1) foreign government policies relating to agriculture, (2) foreign agricultural production, and (3) international trade in agricultural products. In addition to the full-length articles, each issue contains a number of brief notes on outstanding developments in the foreign agricultural economic field.

Situation Reports.-These are reports issued monthly in place of the former World Prospect Reports. They provide an analysis of the world situation (both foreign and domestic) for certain agricultural products. (See page 44.)

Foreign Fruit and Nut Crop Prospects.-Latest reports on fruit and nut crop developments in foreign countries are issued monthly in connection with the "Fruit Crop Prospects" report of domestic conditions.

Foreign News Releases (including "Fruit Flashes").-Short mimeographed reports cover a number of special products, such as apples, citrus fruit, prunes, and certain nuts, and tobacco. In the case of apples, weekly releases are issued during the export season covering European market conditions. Some of the releases on fruits and nuts are being replaced by leased-wire messages to the producing areas that are especially interested in the information.

PERIODICALS

"AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS LITERATURE"

Agricultural Economics Literature is prepared by the Library of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Its purpose is to aid agricultural economists in keeping abreast of the literature in their various fields at the minimum expenditure of time. It attempts to record the literature relating to agricultural economics which has been received in the library during the previous month. Each issue contains a few reviews of important books made by the specialists in the Bureau and elsewhere. There are descriptive notes and abstracts of other publications, and each issue contains the following regular features: State publications relating to agricultural economics; U. S. Department of Agriculture publications, economic in character, including both printed and mimeographed material; a list of the important articles in domestic and foreign periodicals relating to agricultural economics; and a selected list of recent reviews. Lists of new periodicals and of bibliographies in the field of agricultural economics are included from time to time. This mimeographed publication, begun in January 1927, appears every month except July and August. It is distributed to officials, Federal and State workers in agricultural economics, economic libraries, and others who cooperate with the Department.

"COTTON LITERATURE"

Cotton Literature - Selected References is prepared each month in the Library of the United States Department of Agriculture with the cooperation of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Bureau of Plant Industry, and Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine. The purpose of this mimeographed publication is to select from the mass of current literature on cotton those books and articles that are of interest to workers in the Department of Agriculture and to bring them promptly to the attention of these workers. It is distributed to Government officials, libraries, workers in agricultural colleges and experiment stations and other institutions, and individuals who can show a need for it.

"THE AGRICULTURAL SITUATION"

The Agricultural Situation. - A monthly, printed publication. (See Situation and Outlook Reports, page 43.)

"CROPS AND MARKETS"

Crops and Markets is a printed monthly publication of the Department of Agriculture. It carries data on prices, and receipts at stated markets of commodities under these general classes: Livestock, meats, and wool; dairy and poultry products; grain; feed, and seed; and cotton. It contains production statistics including complete and detailed reports of the crop reporting service, agricultural outlook and intentions-to-plant-and-breed reports, and special articles of economic and statistical interest concerning leading agricultural products prepared by the staff of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Distribution is limited by Public Resolution 57 to Department employees, staff members of agricultural colleges, cooperators, agricultural libraries, and the press. It can be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office at a subscription price of \$1 a year (foreign rate \$1.50).

"FOREIGN AGRICULTURE"

Foreign Agriculture.--A monthly publication. The first issue appeared in January 1937. (See Foreign Agricultural Crop and Market Reports, page 49)

"FOREIGN CROPS AND MARKETS"

Foreign Crops and Markets.--A weekly publication. (See Foreign Agricultural Crop and Market Reports, page 49.)

"FARM POPULATION AND RURAL LIFE ACTIVITIES"

Farm Population and Rural Life Activities is a multigraphed report issued quarterly by the Bureau for investigators, teachers, and extension workers in the field of rural sociology. It is designed to aid rural social research by bringing to the attention of workers, in that field, new projects started and the scientific results of projects under way or completed. Distributed to cooperators.

"MARKETING ACTIVITIES"

Marketing Activities and other Economic Work, issued every Wednesday, contains current information relating to the agricultural marketing activities carried on by the State bureaus or division of markets, the State agricultural colleges, and the Federal Bureau of Agricultural Economics, and the work in all phases of agricultural economics being done by these agencies. Methods of work in research, teaching, and extension, as well as projects and results are reported. Distributed to Federal, State, and college workers and cooperators in agricultural economics and marketing.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

COST OF PRODUCTION REPORTS

Annual estimates of the costs of producing corn, wheat, and oats, in groups of States, and of producing cotton in the principal States and in producing regions of the South, based on an annual inquiry as to the details of costs, on area surveys, and on other available information. Costs per acre are shown for eight classes of cost factors and the costs per bushel or per pound are computed. Released June 1 or later, annually, printed in "Crops and Markets."

THE FARM REAL ESTATE SITUATION

The Farm Real Estate Situation is an annual report in the regular Circular series of the Department of Agriculture, issued near the close of the calendar year. It covers the previous real-estate year. It reviews briefly the general situation and discusses values in the separate geographical divisions and States and causes of change in values, change in farm ownership including foreclosures and forced and voluntary sales, farm-mortgage credit and taxes, and other factors bearing upon the farm real estate situation. Free on request as long as the supply lasts.

FARM REAL ESTATE TAXES

A report on farm real estate taxes, in the form of taxes per acre, indexes of taxes per acre, and taxes per \$100 of real estate value, is issued early in the year, to cover the levies of the previous calendar year. Each of the three series is issued by States and geographic divisions, and covers the period from 1913 to date. In all States where possible the data represent sample farms for which acres and tax figures are gathered from local-government officials. In other States corresponding data are obtained from county agricultural agents, or voluntary crop reporters, or from farmers whose names are selected by local officials. For certain States the agricultural experiment stations have furnished the field records. The reports are so weighted as to give estimates covering all farms in all counties, rather than only farms and counties reporting. Issued in mimeograph. An index of real estate taxes per acre for the United States is published monthly in "The Agricultural Situation."

FARM MORTGAGE LOANS OF LEADING LENDING AGENCIES

This statistical report shows the amount of outstanding farm-mortgage loans by States held by leading lending agencies at the end of each year. Data are included for the Federal land banks and Land Bank Commissioner, life insurance companies, joint stock land banks, commercial banks and three State credit agencies, issued annually in mimeographed form.

WORLD INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

Indexes of world industrial production are compiled on a monthly basis and the series extend back to 1920. Industrial output of ten of the most important consuming countries is included, the index of industrial production for each country being weighted by its relative importance as a consumer of primary raw materials and foodstuffs. Data are presented in two series, total world production and world production excluding the United States. Issued monthly in typewritten form only.

BANKRUPTCIES AMONG FARMERS COMPARED WITH TOTAL BANKRUPTCIES

This annual report shows the number of bankruptcy cases concluded in the fiscal year ending June 30. The number of all bankruptcies, the number of cases involving farmers, and the percent of such farmer bankruptcies to all cases are shown. The data are compiled from the annual reports of the Attorney General and are tabulated by States and geographic divisions. Issued in mimeograph.

DEPOSITS OF COUNTRY BANKS

Indexes of net demand deposits of member banks of the Federal Reserve System, located in places of less than 15,000 population are compiled for three groups of States. One group consists of the 20 leading agricultural States, excluding California. The second group of States includes Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, and South Carolina. The third group includes Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, and Nebraska. The indexes that are issued monthly have 1923-4-5 monthly average as the base. Issued in typewritten form.

FARM POPULATION ESTIMATES

Annual estimates are made of the number of persons living on farms as determined from data obtained from farmers on the number of births, deaths, movements from city to farm, and from farm to city in their localities, supplemented by vital statistics and census data. Besides the net figures for the United States, the figures are shown by geographic divisions. Released about April 15 each year in mimeographed form, and printed later in "Crops and Markets", and "The Agricultural Situation."

STANDARDIZATION AND INSPECTION SERVICES

COTTON STANDARDS AND CLASSING

Practical forms of the Official Standards of the United States for the grade and length of staple of American upland and American Egyptian cotton and of the standard grades of cotton linters are furnished at a nominal price to exchanges and others; the classification of cotton and cotton linters, under the United States cotton standards act, is performed upon request for individual owners or in connection with arbitration; classifiers and samplers of cotton and of linters are licensed under the United States cotton standards act; all cotton intended for delivery upon the futures contracts of the New York and New Orleans Cotton Exchanges and the Chicago Board of Trade is classified; and estimates are published concerning the grade and staple of the cotton carryover each year and of the crop as produced.

DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS STANDARDS AND INSPECTION

Standards for butter, shell eggs, and American whole milk cheese, and tentative standards for churning cream, dressed poultry, and dressed domestic rabbits have been established. Butter and cheese grading services are available at 11 terminal markets. An egg-grading service is available at 10 markets, and through cooperative agreements with State Departments of Agriculture and other agencies at shipping points in Virginia, Maryland, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, and Florida. Dressed-poultry grading is conducted at Washington, D. C., New York City, Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago, Seattle, Portland, San Francisco, and Los Angeles and at several other points it is done for Federal agencies. Shipping-point grading of dressed poultry is carried on at a number of points in Kansas. Live poultry is inspected at New York City and nearby terminal points. Dressed-poultry inspection is conducted at 20 poultry-canning plants and for 1 plant that furnishes Government-inspected poultry to poultry canneries. Inspection of full-drawn poultry is conducted at 3 dressing plants. For a short period previous to Thanksgiving and Christmas a turkey-grading service is operated at more than 50 shipping points in 13 States. Shipping-point grading service is conducted on butter at Minneapolis, Duluth, and Mankato, Minnesota; Dubuque and Des Moines, Iowa; and at various points in Illinois.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE STANDARDS AND INSPECTION

Standards for 58 commodities, including honey, asparagus plumosus, mushrooms, pecans, and peanuts, have now been established by the Bureau. As two or more sets of standards are necessary for different types of the same commodity if they vary widely, a total of 86 standards has been issued. Most of the standards for fruits and vegetables are for those consumed in the fresh state but standards have been issued for a few commodities purchased by canners for canning purposes. Under cooperative agreements with 45 States and Puerto Rico, inspection is offered at important shipping points on all products for which standards have been established and on many others for which no standards have been recommended, certification being by description. Inspection is also available for all products at 45 terminal markets where inspectors are located and in all other terminal markets which can be conveniently reached from these points. Special arrangements are made for inspection for the U. S. Navy, other Federal agencies, and for national and

local emergency relief organizations. Other special arrangements include those for fruit auctions, railroad companies, cold storages, canners, steamship companies, and one large municipality which asks for Federal inspection on fresh fruits and vegetables for all its institutions.

CANNED FRUIT AND VEGETABLE STANDARDIZATION AND GRADING

Tentative standards for grades covering practically all canned vegetables have been developed. Official standards for grades have been promulgated for 5 commodities. Tentative standards for grades for most canned fruits have been developed and others are under consideration. A grading service on canned fruits and vegetables is available in several terminal markets.

STANDARDS FOR CONTAINERS

Under the U. S. Standard Container Acts of 1916 and 1928, standards have been promulgated for climax baskets, berry boxes, till baskets, hampers, round stave baskets (including the straight-side types), and splint or market baskets. The Bureau maintains a testing laboratory to which samples of such containers may be submitted for examination as to their compliance with the above acts.

GRAIN STANDARDIZATION AND INSPECTION

The U. S. Grain Standards Act authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to establish official standards for grain and to license inspectors to apply such standards and to handle appeals from inspections performed by licensees. The act provides, in effect, that if grain be sold by grade and shipped in interstate or foreign commerce, the official standards must be used and the grain must be inspected by a licensed inspector if it moves from or to a point at which inspection is maintained. The Secretary of Agriculture has promulgated official standards for corn, wheat, oats, rye, grain sorghums, feed oats, mixed feed oats, barley, flaxseed, and mixed grain. Official grain inspection is now maintained at 177 markets throughout the country at which 385 licensed inspectors perform service. These licensees are not employees of the Federal Government. They derive their compensation from States, boards of trade, and chambers of commerce. In addition, the Federal Department maintains a force, known as Federal Grain Supervision, whose duty it is to handle appeals from grades assigned by licensees and to supervise the work of licensees to insure correct and uniform application of the standards.

RICE STANDARDIZATION AND INSPECTION

Official United States standards have been promulgated for rough, brown, and milled rice. A permissive rice-inspection service is conducted under the authority contained in the annual appropriation acts of the Congress for the inspection of certain agricultural commodities and under cooperative agreements with the State Departments of Agriculture in Louisiana and California. Rice-inspection laboratories and inspection service are in operation at six of the most important rice-marketing centers in Louisiana and California. In addition a sampling service for obtaining official samples for rice inspection and grading purposes is in operation at the principal rice

marketing and milling centers in the rice-producing areas in the Southern States and California and at the principal distributing centers for milled rice throughout the United States. The sampling and inspection are conducted partly by Federal employees and partly by a personnel licensed or authorized by the Secretary of Agriculture. The sampling and inspection work of the licensed inspectors is supervised by a Federal rice inspection supervision personnel through field headquarters offices at New Orleans, and San Francisco.

HAY AND STRAW STANDARDIZATION AND INSPECTION

United States standards have been promulgated for the principal kinds of hay and straw produced in Continental United States. Tentative standards have been issued for ground alfalfa. Under cooperative agreements with State Departments of Agriculture, commercial exchanges, chambers of commerce, farmers' cooperative associations or similar organizations, hay inspection service is offered at 22 important shipping points and 17 terminal or reconsignment markets. Inspections also are made at 52 U. S. Army posts. Fourteen States have adopted United States grades for hay as official State standards.

BEAN STANDARDIZATION AND INSPECTION

United States standards for all classes of beans have been promulgated, including the provision for the determination and certification of dockage and defects in thresher-run beans without reference to grade. Federal or Federal-State inspection has been established at shipping points in 8 leading bean-producing States and at 11 important terminal markets. The standards have been adopted as the official standards of the State Departments of Agriculture in California, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, and New York.

SOYBEAN STANDARDIZATION AND INSPECTION

United States standards for soybeans have been promulgated and an inspection service has been established at 44 important shipping point and terminal markets through cooperative agreements with State and trade organizations. Five States - North Carolina, Illinois, Missouri, Minnesota and California - have adopted the U. S. Standards as official State standards. Practically all soybeans shipped to mills are purchased on the basis of U. S. No. 2 grade and over 85 percent of these are inspected at destination. Export sales are consummated on the basis of Federal inspection at port of shipment final.

DRY PEA STANDARDIZATION AND INSPECTION

United States standards have been promulgated and shipping-point inspection for grade and dockage is now available in California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and Montana, and in many terminal markets where official samplers are located. This service has been used with unusual success in Washington and Idaho. Tentative standards are available for split peas and are being used to a limited extent in grading and marketing this commodity.

BROOMCORN STANDARDIZATION

Standards for broomcorn have been issued and copies of the standards may be had on application.

SEED VERIFICATION SERVICE

A seed-verification service covering alfalfa and red clover seed provides for the issuance of certificates that in effect guarantee the origin of these seeds to be as stated on these certificates. Eighty-six seed dealers in 24 States, who usually handle 85 percent or more of the alfalfa seed produced in Central and Northern States and a considerable portion of the red clover seed, are enrolled in this voluntary service.

TOBACCO CLASSIFICATION AND STANDARDIZATION

Under the U. S. Tobacco Stocks and Standards Act, the Department of Agriculture has issued an official classification for American types of tobacco. The classification forms the basis by which statistics of acreage, production, stocks, and value of tobacco are compiled and published. Also upon the basis of this classification the tobacco inspection service and the tobacco market news service are maintained. In 1935 Congress amended the Act to provide for the publication of an annual report on tobacco statistics, and for the publication of reports on stocks of leaf tobacco in Puerto Rico.

Tentative standard grades have been established for many of the types of tobacco produced in the United States and preliminary work has been done on practically all the remaining types. The Tobacco Inspection Act approved August 23, 1935, provides not only for permissive inspection but for mandatory inspection of tobacco on markets to be designated by the Secretary of Agriculture when a favorable referendum has been held.

STANDARDIZATION OF LIVESTOCK

Official standards have been promulgated for the following: Slaughter cattle including steers, cows, heifers, bulls, and stags, slaughter calves, and vealers. Tentative standards have been published for the following: (a) Stocker and feeder steers (6 grades); stocker and feeder heifers (6 grades); stocker and feeder cows (5 grades); stocker and feeder bulls (5 grades) and stocker and feeder calves (5 grades). (b) Slaughter barrows and gilts (4 grades). (c) Slaughter lambs (6 grades) and slaughter ewes (6 grades).

STANDARDIZATION OF MEATS

Official class and grade standards have been issued for beef, veal, calf, lamb, and mutton; standards for pork, sausage, and prepared meats are still in tentative form.

STANDARDIZATION OF HIDES AND SKINS

Tentative standards have been drafted and published for the following: Butcher and country hides; kip skins and calf skins.

STANDARDIZATION OF WOOL AND WOOL TOPS

Official standards for the grades of wool and wool top, on the basis of diameter of fiber, have been promulgated by the Department of Agriculture under the U. S. Wool Standards Act. Practical forms of the standards are issued at a nominal charge for educational and commercial use.

MEAT GRADING SERVICE

A Federal meat-grading service, including grading and stamping for grade of beef, veal, calf, lamb, mutton, pork carcasses and cuts, sausage and prepared meats, is available in the following large wholesale markets: Phoenix, Ariz; Baltimore, Md.; Boston, Mass.; Buffalo and New York, N. Y.; Chicago and National Stock Yards, Ill.; Columbus and Cleveland, Ohio; Detroit, Mich.; Kansas City and St. Louis, Mo.; Omaha, Nebr.; Philadelphia and Erie, Pa.; Oklahoma City, Okla.; Los Angeles and San Francisco, Calif.; Seattle, Wash.; So. St. Paul, Minn., and nearby points; Kansas City and Wichita, Kans.; Sioux City, Iowa; Wheeling, W. Va.; and Washington, D. C.

The general meat-grading service, including all meats and meat products, is extensively used by Federal, State and city institutions, dining-car departments, steamship lines, hotels, and restaurants. The beef, lamb, sausage and prepared meat grading and stamping or certifying service is broadly used by wholesalers and retailers at the points where graders are stationed. Large quantities of graded meats are thus made available for shipment to all points in the United States.

MEAT CUTTING AND PRICING METHODS

Tables included in a publication with the above title indicate percentages of wholesale and trimmed retail cuts of beef, veal, and lamb in the carcass and the percentages of wholesale pork cuts and pork products in 100 pounds live weight. Three methods of retail cutting are illustrated by means of a chart. The tables indicate a method to follow in ascertaining what retail meat prices shall be, based upon a given cost and a certain desired gross margin.

WAREHOUSE LICENSING

Under the U. S. Warehouse Act the Bureau licenses such warehousemen for the storing of farm products as apply for license and can meet the specified requirements. Receipts issued by such warehousemen are recognized as preferred collateral for loans by many banks. Warehouses for the storing of cotton, grain, broomcorn, wool, tobacco, dry beans, dried fruit, cold-pack fruit, cherries in brine, sirup, nuts, seeds, canned foods, and cottonseed for commercial purposes, are among those so licensed.

PRODUCE AGENCY ACT ENFORCEMENT

Investigations of apparent violations of the U. S. Produce Agency Act are made upon receipt of complaints filed by growers or shippers accompanied by all papers relating to the transaction. This act relates to

perishable farm products received in interstate commerce on behalf of another, and makes failure to account or the rendering of a false accounting report, knowingly and with intent to defraud, a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonment. Service and Regulatory Announcement 107 (B.A.E.) contains the text of the Produce Agency Act and regulations governing its enforcement.

PERISHABLE AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES ACT

The U. S. Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act requires all commission merchants, dealers, and brokers who handle fresh fruits and/or fresh vegetables, in interstate or foreign commerce, to secure a license from the Department of Agriculture. The annual license fee is \$10. The act makes it unlawful to make a fraudulent charge; to reject or fail to deliver in accordance with the terms of the contract or to dump without reasonable cause; to make any fraudulent statement in connection with any transaction involving such commodity; to fail to account correctly; to misrepresent the origin of any commodity; or to remove or tamper with any notice on a car or package containing a certificate as to the grade of the commodity contained therein. Punishment may be by publication of the facts or by suspension or revocation of license. The Secretary of Agriculture may determine the amount of damages and order their payment. Upon non-payment of damages as ordered or failure to appeal to court within 30 days the party's license becomes automatically suspended until payment is made.

Investigations of apparent violations of this act are made on complaint of interested persons. Preliminary complaints may be made by telegraph if conditions demand and will be handled by the Department in the same way. Complaints not settled in this way and those in which such quick action is not necessary may be made the subject of formal complaint, which should be accompanied by true copies of all available supporting papers. Service and Regulatory Announcement 121 (B.A.E.) contains the text of the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, the regulations governing its enforcement, and a statement interpreting some of its provisions.